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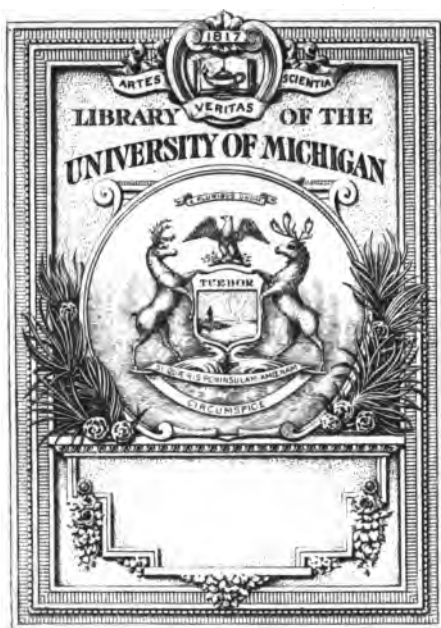
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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

In pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Vermont, the House of Representatives convened in the State House, in Montpelier, on the second Thursday, being the eleventh day, of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

At ten o'clock, in the forenoon, GEORGE NICHOLS, Esq., Secretary of State, called the House to order, when

Prayer was offered by the Rev. LEONARD TENNEY, the representative elect of the town of Thetford.

The names of the members who had presented their credentials were called, whereupon it appeared that the following named members were present, who were duly sworn, and took their seats, to wit:

ADDISON COUNTY.

Addison	LYMAN CLARK, JR.,
Bridport	SHELDON SMITH,
Bristol	GEORGE W. PARMELEE,
Cornwall	HENRY LANE,
Ferrisburgh	DAVID SMITH,
Goshen	SHUBEL R. STICKNEY,
Granville	JOSEPH P. BALL,
Hancock	ROBERT CLAFLIN,
Leicester	GEORGE O. SWININGTON,
Lincoln	ELIHU PURINTON,
Middlebury	JOHN W. STEWART,
Monkton	JOSEPH CARTER,
New Haven	WARD BULLARD,
Orwell	JULIUS C. THOMAS,
Panton	HENRY ALLEN,
Ripton	NATHANIEL McQUIVEY,
Salisbury	WILLIAM DEMING,
Shoreham	ROLLIN BIRCHARD,
Starksboro	FRANKLIN N. HILL,
Vergennes	BENJAMIN F. GOSS,

Waltham	ELIJAH F. BENTON,
Weybridge	FRANCIS AYERS,
Whiting	ALBERT HUBBARD.

BENNINGTON COUNTY.

Arlington	HENRY S. HARD,
Bennington	TRENOR W. PARK,
Dorset	A. B. ARMSTRONG,
Glastenbury	GEORGE EDDY,
Landgrove	WARREN W. WILEY,
Manchester	AHIMAN L. MINER,
Peru	OLIVER P. SIMONDS,
Pownal	BLACKMAN N. FOSTER,
Readsboro	
Rupert	GEORGE HOPKINS,
Sandgate	WALTER B. RANDALL,
Searsburgh	
Shaftsbury	MYRON BARTON,
Stamford	SILAS W. WEBSTER,
Sunderland	PAUL SHUFFLETON,
Winhall	JOHN M. COLEMAN
• Woodford	

CALEDONIA COUNTY.

Barnet	WILLIAM STUART,
Burke	HAISEY R. BROWN,
Danville	BENJAMIN GREENBANK,
Groton	
Hardwick	HENRY A. SHEDD,
Kirby	CHARLES H. GRAVES,
Lyndon	SUMNER S. THOMPSON,
Newark	MOULTON A. TAFT,
Peacham	HARVEY SANBORN,
Ryegate	JOHN F. NELSON,
Sheffield	SEWALL BRADLEY,
St. Johnsbury	JONATHAN ROSS,
Sutton	WILLIAM F. RUGGLES,
Walden	HARVEY FOSTER,
Waterford	LUCIUS S. FREEMAN,
Wheelock	ELIJAH WILLARD.

CHITTENDEN COUNTY.

Bolton	EDWIN R. MORSE,
Burlington	
Charlotte	
Colchester	SIDNEY H. WESTON,
Essex	WILLIAM B. WESTON,
Hinesburgh	JOHN W. MILES,
Huntington	LEONARD C. SNYDER,
Jericho	
Milton	HENRY H. WOODS,
Richmond	UZZIEL S. WHITCOMB,
Shelburne	ROBERT J. WHITE,
South Burlington	ASA R. SLOCUM,

St. George.....	GEORGE K. HINSBILL,
Underhill.....	GEORGE W. ROBERTS,
Westford.....	JAMES H. RICHARDSON,
Williston.....	ALVIN C. WELCH.

ESSEX COUNTY.

Bloomfield	MOSES PATTEE,
Brighton.....	ROBERT P. NOYES,
Brunswick.....	CHAUNCEY H. FITTS,
Canaan.....	HIRAM P. COOPER,
Concord.....	HARVEY JUDEVINE,
East Haven.....	ABRAHAM S. HOWARD,
Granby.....	JOHN W. BUZZELL,
Guildhall.....	CHARLES E. BENTON,
Lemington.....	DAVID H. COOK,
Lunenburg.....	ROSWELL BOWKER,
Maidstone.....	NELSON S. STEVENS,
Victory.....	GEORGE A. APPLETON.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Bakersfield.....	STEPHEN T. LEARNARD,
Berkshire.....	JAMES R. STONE,
Enosburgh.....	HAZEN B. LADD,
Fairfax.....	
Fairfield.....	JOSIAH O. CRAMTON,
Fletcher.....	LORENZO BLAISDELL,
Franklin.....	WILLIAM C. ROBIE,
Georgia.....	ABEL BLISS,
Highgate.....	MELVIN CHURCH,
Montgomery.....	LUTHER W. MARTIN,
Richford.....	WILLIAM CORLISS,
Sheldon.....	NATHANIEL G. MARTIN.
St. Albans.....	CHARLES WYMAN,
Swanton.....	HENRY A. BURT.

GRAND ISLE COUNTY.

Alburgh.....	DAVID MARTIN.
Grand Isle.....	WILLIAM C. IRISH,
Isle LaMotte.....	ELISHA R. GOODSELL,
North Hero.....	DEXTER B. TOWN,
South Hero.....	WARREN CORBIN.

LAMOILLE COUNTY.

Belvidere.....	THOMAS POTTER,
Cambridge.....	EDWIN WHEELOCK,
Eden.....	HORACE WAIT,
Elmore.....	ADOLPHUS W. KELLEY,
Hydepark.....	WALDO BRIGHAM,
Johnson.....	ROBERT C. CRISTY,
Morristown.....	ORLO CADY,
Stowe.....	SALMON K. WEEKS,
Waterville.....	DANIEL P. BRAGG,
Wolcott.....	RICHARD F. PARKER.

ORANGE COUNTY.

Bradford.....	BARRON HAY,
Braintree.....	JAMES P. CLEVELAND, Jr.,
Brookfield.....	JOHN R. CLEVELAND,
Chelsea.....	CARLOS MOORE,
Corinth.....	ARAD S. CORLISS,
Fairlee.....	CHARLES H. MANN,
Newbury.....	WILLIAM W. BROCK,
Orange.....	EDWIN G. PEAKE,
Randolph.....	S. B. CARPENTER,
Strafford.....	ALANSON G. SMITH,
Thetford.....	LEONARD TENNEY,
Topsham.....	NEWTON MORGAN,
Tunbridge.....	AZRO B. DREW,
Vershire.....	WILLIAM SANBORN,
Washington.....	LYMAN P. BARRON,
West Fairlee.....	BENJAMIN NILES,
Williamstown.....	JOHN M. PALMER.

ORLEANS COUNTY.

Albany.....	DYAR BILL,
Barton.....	MYRON W. JOSLYN,
Brownington.....	ISAAC S. SEAVEY,
Charleston.....	EDSON LYON,
Coventry.....	LOREN SOPER,
Craftsbury.....	MOSES ROOT,
Derby.....	ELISHA LANE,
Glover.....	FREDERICK P. CHENEY,
Greensboro.....	HENRY S. TOLMAN,
Holland.....	GEORGE H. GREEN,
Irasburgh.....	HENRY SOMERS,
Jay.....	
Lowell.....	DON B. CURTIS,
Morgan.....	BYRAM BARTLETT,
Newport.....	BENJAMIN R. McCLARY,
Salem.....	DAVID N. GIBB,
Troy.....	EDWARD BICKFORD,
Westfield.....	
Westmore.....	ISAAC D. BEMIS.

RUTLAND COUNTY.

Benson.....	L. HOWARD KELLOGG,
Brandon.....	VOLNEY ROSS,
Castleton.....	RICHARD M. PHILLIPS,
Chittenden.....	HIRAM BAIRD,
Clarendon.....	PORTER BENSON,
Danby.....	JAMES E. NICHOLS,
Fairhaven.....	JOEL W. HAMILTON,
Hubbardton.....	DANIEL HOLMES,
Ira.....	LEONARD F. MASON,
Mendon.....	JOHN E. JOHNSON,
Middletown.....	ALBERT W. GRAY,
Mount Holly.....	WARREN HORTON,
Mount Tabor.....	CHARLES T. GRIFFITH,

Pawlet.....	LUCIUS M. CARPENTER,
Pittsfield	HENRY O. GIBBS,
Pittsford.....	ASA NOURSE,
Poultney.....	MERRITT CLARK,
Rutland.....	JOHN PROUT,
Sherburne	DANIEL W. TAYLOR,
Shrewsbury	TYLER G. FOSTER,
Sudbury.....	OLIVER H. P. KETCHAM,
Tinmouth.....	ABSALOM NOBLE,
Wallingford.....	SAMUEL E. ROGERS,
Wells	MARCUS D. GROVER,
West Haven.....	SAMUEL W. TRYON.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Barre	GEORGE W. TILDEN,
Berlin.....	EDMUND E. ANDREWS,
Cabot	VALORUS W. HALE,
Calais.....	SYDNEY H. FOSTER,
Duxbury	LUTHER GRAVES,
East Montpelier.....	PRENTISS M. SHEPARD,
Fayston	CHESTER S. DANA,
Marshfield	WILLIAM MARTIN, Jr.,
Middlesex.....	RUFUS W. WARREN,
Montpelier.....	JOEL FOSTER, Jr.,
Moretown.....	
Northfield.....	EDWIN K. JONES,
Plainfield.....	LEVI BARTLETT,
Roxbury	AUSTIN A. SMITH,
Waitsfield	IRA RICHARDSON,
Warren	EDWIN CARDELL,
Waterbury.....	WILLIAM WELLS,
Woodbury	ROLAND B. BRUCE,
Worcester.....	MARK P. LADD.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

Athens	SAMUEL B. WELLS,
Brattleboro.....	SETH N. HERRICK,
Brookline.....	OSCAR C. MERRIFIELD,
Dover.....	EDWIN F. SHERMAN,
Dummerston.....	GEORGE W. WALKER,
Grafton.....	JOHN S. BUTTERFIELD,
Guilford.....	STEPHEN SMITH,
Halifax.....	ALBERT J. TUCKER,
Jamaica.....	ABIJAH MUZZY,
Londonderry	DANIEL DAVIS,
Marlboro.....	NATHANIEL R. WHITNEY,,
Newfane	HOLLIS T. ROBINSON,
Putney.....	DAVID R. COBB,
Rockingham.....	WILLIAM H. JOHNSON,
Somerset.....	SUMNER CURTIS,
Stratton.....	
Townshend.....	JOHN H. CONVERSE,
Vernon.....	WILDER H. FAIRMAN,
Wardsboro.....	
Westminster.....	

Whitingham.....	AMHERST LAMB,
Wilmington.....	HENRY WHITNEY,
Windham.....	WILLIAM HARRIS, JR.

WINDSOR COUNTY.

Andover.....	HORACE BURTON,
Baltimore.....	CHARLES A. LELAND,
Barnard.....	
Bethel.....	JAMES M. McINTOSH,
Bridgewater.....	CHARLES N. WOOD,
Cavendish ..	JOSIAH GILSON,
Chester.....	WILLIAM ROUNDS,
Hartford.....	WILLIAM G. CHANDLER,
Hartland ..	LEWIS EMMONS,
Ludlow ..	WILLIAM H. WALKER,
Norwich.....	JOSEPH T. LOVELAND,
Plymouth.....	ALPHEUS N. EARLE,
Pomfret ..	ORA PAUL,
Reading ..	SUMNER FLETCHER,
Rochester.....	CHESTER PIERCE,
Royalton ..	MARTIN T. SKINNER,
Sharon.....	GUY S. NOTT,
Springfield.....	FRANKLIN P. BALL,
Stockbridge ..	THOMAS S. HUBBARD,
Weathersfield ..	HENRY H. SPAFFORD,
Weston.....	SIMEON D. SPAULDING,
West Windsor ..	
Windsor ..	LUTHER C. WHITE,
Woodstock.....	CHARLES MARSH.

On motion of Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, Mr. Lewis A. Dunn was admitted to take his seat in the House as the representative of the town of Fairfax, without producing his credentials ;

On motion of Mr. Welch, Mr. Frederick M. Van Sicklen was admitted to take his seat in the House as the representative of the city of Burlington, without producing his credentials ;

Which members, so admitted, were thereupon duly sworn.

The Secretary of State directed the House to the election of Speaker for the year ensuing, and requested that ballots be prepared and forwarded for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. Miner, the election by ballot was dispensed with, and the same ordered to be taken *viva voce*.

The vote having been thus taken, it appeared that

JOHN W. STEWART,

the representative of the town of Middlebury, had received a unanimous vote, and he was thereupon declared duly elected.

The Secretary of State designated Mr. Rounds, and Mr. Ross of St. Johnsbury, to wait on the Speaker elect, inform him of his election, and conduct him to the chair, who performed the duty assigned to them.

The Speaker was thereupon duly sworn, when he addressed the House as follows :

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES :

I thank you heartily for this renewed expression of favor and confidence, and I pledge you in return my constant and best efforts to an impartial fidelity in the discharge of the duties which your choice has imposed upon me. My feeling of self-distrust in accepting this position, with its grave and delicate responsibilities, is greatly relieved by my assured trust in your unfailing courtesy and friendly co-operation. Humbly invoking the Divine blessing upon our deliberations, let us unite our efforts to bring the session upon which we now enter, to the speediest profitable conclusion.

The Speaker directed the House to the election of Clerk for the year ensuing, and requested that ballots be prepared and forwarded for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. Miner, the election by ballot was dispensed with, and the same ordered to be taken *viva voce*.

The vote having been thus taken, it appeared that.

JOHN H. FLAGG,

of Bennington, had received a unanimous vote, and was declared duly elected, and was thereupon duly sworn.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the President of the Senate, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,

Senate Chamber, Montpelier, Oct. 11, 1866. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR : I have the honor to inform you that the Senate have elected Henry Clark, of Poultney, as Secretary, and James S. Peck, of Montpelier, as Assistant Secretary.

A. B. GARDNER,

President of the Senate.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have organized, and are

ready on their part to proceed with the business of the session.

He then withdrew.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Clerk inform the Senate that the House have completed their organization, and are prepared to proceed to the business of the session ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Prout offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the rules of the House for the last session be adopted as the rules of the House at its present session, until otherwise ordered ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to furnish each member and officer of the House with one daily paper, printed in this State, to be selected by the members and officers ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Harris, of Windham, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a committee of three of the members of the House, to wait on his Excellency, the Governor, and inform him of the organization of the House, and its readiness to receive any communication from him ;

Which was read and adopted, and thereupon the Speaker appointed as such committee

Mr. Harris of Windham,

“ Burt of Swanton,

“ Lane of Cornwall.

Mr. Gilman H. Shedd, the representative elect of the town of West Windsor, and Mr. Martin S. Chamberlin, the representative elect of the town of Jay, having presented their credentials in due form, severally received the oaths prescribed by the Constitution, and were thereupon admitted to seats in the House.

On motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, Hiram Hathaway was admitted to take his seat in the House, as the representative of the town of Moretown, without producing his credentials ;

And he was thereupon duly sworn.

Mr. Rounds, of Chester, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That each member of the House forward immediately to the Clerk, on a slip of paper prepared by him

for that purpose, his name, in full, town and county, number of seat, boarding place, with number of room, the name of newspaper he elects to take during the session, with the designation where to be delivered, to enable the Secretary of State to make up the Legislative Directory, and the Clerk to distribute the papers ordered ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Elmer Gleason, the representative elect of the town of Woodford, having presented his credentials in due form, was thereupon duly sworn, and took his seat in the House.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, offered the following resolution :
Resolved, That the House do now proceed to the election of a Chaplain for the year ensuing ;

Which was read and adopted.

The Speaker thereupon requested that ballots be prepared and forwarded for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. Ross, of Brandon, the election by ballot was dispensed with, and the same was ordered to be taken *viva voce*.

The vote being thus taken, it appeared that

REV. NAHUM P. FOSTER,
of Montpelier, had received the unanimous vote of the House, and he was thereupon declared duly elected.

The Speaker directed the House to the provisions of the Constitution requiring the members to subscribe the oaths of office, and the members proceeded to subscribe thereto, pending which,

On motion of Mr. Miner, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Speaker nominated, and the House appointed, the following named members to constitute the committee, on the part of the House, to canvass votes of the freemen of the State for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer, for the year ensuing, and they were thereupon duly sworn, namely :

Addison County Mr. Parmelee of Bristol,
“ Swington of Leicester,
“ Ayers of Weybridge.

B ennington County	Mr. Shuffleton of Sunderland, " Foster of Pownal, " Webster of Stamford.
C aledonia County	" Ruggles of Sutton, " Willard of Wheelock, " Brown of Burke.
C hittenden County	" Woods of Milton, " Morse of Bolton, " Weston of Essex.
E ssex County	" Bowker of Lunenburg, " Pattee of Bloomfield, " Fitts of Brunswick.
F ranklin County	" Church of Highgate, " Stone of Berkshire, " Martin of Sheldon.
G rand Isle County	" Goodsell of Isle LaMotte, " Marvin of Alburgh, " Corbin of South Hero.
L amoille County	" Wheelock of Cambridge, " Christy of Johnson, " Brigham of Hydepark.
O range County	" Smith of Strafford, " Barron of Washington, " Sanborn of Vershire.
O rleans County	" Somers of Irasburgh, " Bartlett of Morgan, " Green of Holland.
R utland County	" Kellogg of Benson, " Gibbs of Pittsfield, " Johnson of Mendon.
W ashington County	" Shepard of E. Montpelier, " Warren of Middlesex, " Hathaway of Moretown.
W indham County	" Lamb of Whitingham, " Robinson of Newfane, " Fairman of Vernon.
W indsor County	" Emmons of Hartland, " Nott of Sharon, " Shedd of West Windsor.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That both Houses meet in Joint Assembly, at eleven o'clock to-morrow morning, to hear the report of the committee appointed to canvass the votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Parker, of Wolcott, offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the joint rules of last session be adopted as the joint rules of the present session, until others are adopted ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That a joint committee, consisting of one senator and three representatives from each congressional district, be appointed, upon nomination of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively, to canvass the votes given in the several congressional districts, and declare those persons having a majority of all the votes in said districts, respectively, to be elected representatives to represent this State in the Congress of the United States ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have appointed, as the committee, on their part, to canvass the votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer :

Addison County	Mr. Porter,
Bennington County	" Cochran,
Caledonia County	" Ide,
Chittenden County	" Barstow,
Essex County	" Dale,
Franklin County	" Soule,
Grand Isle County	" Hill,
Lamoille County	" Hendee,
Orange County	" Barrett,
Orleans County	" Baker,

Rutland County	Mr. Hyde,
Washington County	“ Henry,
Windham County	“ Goodhue,
Windsor County	“ Doton.

The Senate have adopted, on their part, a joint resolution relating to the joint rules,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the joint rules of the last session shall be the joint rules of the present session till others are adopted.

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Harris, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have elected the Honorable SENECA M. DORR, a senator from the county of Rutland, President *pro tempore*.

The Senate have considered a joint resolution from the House of Representatives, providing for a Joint Assembly to hear the report of the committee to canvass the votes for State officers ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

Mr. Peter E. Pease presented his credentials as the representative of the town of Charlotte, received the oaths of office, and was thereupon admitted to take his seat in the House.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following standing committee of the House :

On Rules :

Mr. Rounds of Chester,
“ Hubbard of Stockbridge,
“ Grover of Wells.

Mr. Carter, of Monkton, offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That a joint committee of one senator and three representatives from each county be appointed, upon nomination of the President of Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively, to examine the certificates of votes given in each county for judges of the county court, State's attorney, sheriff, high bailiff, judges of probate, and justices of the peace, and declare the persons so elected, and report thereon to the General Assembly ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Prout introduced a bill entitled

H. 1. An act in relation to the qualifications of voters ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. White, of Windsor, introduced a bill entitled

H. 2. An act changing the manner of appointing superintendent and chaplain of the State Prison, and regulating salary of the chaplain ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the State Prison.

The hour for the Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair, and,

On motion of Mr. Miner, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,
Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Oct. 12, 1866. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR: I have the honor to inform the House of Representatives that I have appointed Charles M. Gay, of Rutland, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, and that I purpose to transmit the annual Executive Message, at two and one-half o'clock this afternoon.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

Mr. Johnson offered the following joint resolutions :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That we cordially invite the senators and members of Congress from this State, on some evening to be by them severally designated, to address the Legislature at the Representatives' Hall, on the proposed constitutional amendment, and other political issues of the day ;

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House forward to each senator and member of Congress from this State a copy of the foregoing resolution ;

Which were read, and adopted on the part of the House.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee, on the part of the House, to canvass the votes in the several congressional districts for members of Congress, to wit :

First Congressional District:

Mr. Goss of Vergennes,
" Tilden of Barre,
" Gleason of Woodford.

Second Congressional District:

Mr. Pierce of Rochester,
" Johnson of Rockingham,
" Niles of West Fairlee.

Third Congressional District:

Mr. McClary of Newport,
" Weston of Colchester,
" Corbin of South Hero.

Mr. Daniel Coffrin presented his credentials as the representative of the town of Groton, received the oaths of office, and was admitted to take his seat in the House.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered joint resolution from the House, providing for the appointment of a committee to canvass the votes for representatives to Congress;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have adopted a joint resolution, providing for a committee to visit the State Reform School;

A joint resolution, providing for a Joint Assembly to elect certain State officers;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That a committee of five from each House be appointed, to visit the State Reform School, to examine into its condition and management, and report to each House respectively;

Was read, and adopted in concurrence.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Tuesday next, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, to elect a Secretary of State, Sergeant-at-Arms, Auditor of Accounts, Superintendent of the State Prison, Commissioner of the Insane, Bank Commissioner, Railroad Commissioner, Adjutant and Inspector General, Quartermaster General, Judge Advocate General, and three Directors of the State Prison, for the year ensuing;

Was read, and adopted in concurrence.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to transmit to the House of Representatives the annual Executive Message to the General Assembly.

The message of his Excellency, the Governor, was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:

Gentlemen of the Senate

and House of Representatives:

Having assembled, in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, for the discharge of the duties, and the fulfillment of the trusts imposed upon us by that instrument,

I avail myself of the earliest opportunity to communicate to you such information respecting the prominent public interests of the State, as will enable you the more readily to enter on the business of the session.

FINANCES.

From the Treasurer's report, herewith submitted to you, it appears that the balance of cash in the treasury, Sept. 5, 1865, was \$12,497 01

The receipts of the treasury from all other sources, to Sept. 10, 1866, have been 984,061 48

Total, \$996,558 49

During the year to Sept. 10, 1866, there has been paid out by the Treasurer, in all, \$967,981 82

Balance of cash in the treasury, Sept. 10, 1866, 28,576 67

Total, \$996,558 49

For a detailed statement of receipts and disbursements, reference is made to the Treasurer's report.

The Treasurer's classified statement of receipts and disbursements, for the year proper, is as follows :

RECEIPTS.

Taxes,	\$599,372 06
Agricultural College fund,	8,072 00
Sale of real estate by the Auditor,	1,324 75
License for circus,	3,000 00
Safety fund notes, collected in part,	400 00
Loans of 1864 and 1865,	284,000 00
Soldiers' allotments,	1,328 30
Balance, Sept. 5, 1865,	12,497 01
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	\$909,994 12

DISBURSEMENTS.

Ordinary and war expenses, balance,	\$291,083 19
Pay rolls, militia—less fines,	29,948 94
Soldiers' allotments,	18,100 43
Agricultural College fund—invested in bonds,	4,000 00
Safety fund repaid,	5,625 00
Loan of 1859—balance paid,	25,000 00
Loans of 1864 and 1865—paid,	284,000 00
Balance of interest account,	123,659 89
Credit sinking fund,	75,500 00

Bonds of 1871—paid,	\$24,500 00
Balance in treasury, Sept. 10, 1866,	28,576 67
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	\$909,994 12

The liabilities and resources of the State at date of Treasurer's report are as follows :

State bonds outstanding—viz :

Due June, 1, 1871,	\$875,500 00
Due December 1, 1874,	250,000 00
Due December 1, 1876,	250,000 00
Due December 1, 1878,	250,000 00
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	\$1,625,500 00

The \$75,500 00 credited to the sinking fund, and \$50,000 00 which the Auditor expects to receive soon from the General Government, are intended for applications on these bonds.

CURRENT LIABILITIES.

Due allotments,	\$21,276 91
Due Receiver of Danby Bank—safety fund,	6,750 00
Due towns—U. S. Surplus fund,	11,176 18
Due Agricultural College fund,	4,137 10
Due extra State pay—estimated,	20,000 00
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	\$63,340 19

CURRENT RESOURCES.

Balance in the treasury,	\$28,576 67
Due on tax of 1865,	5,877 56
Surplus fund notes unpaid,	1,100 00
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	\$35,554 23
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Excess of current liabilities,	\$27,785 96

ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENSES.

Interest on bonds and loans,	\$96,000 00
Other State expenses,	170,000 00
For sinking fund—installment on bonds,	\$150,000 00
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	\$416,000 00
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Total current liabilities for the year,	\$443,785 96

To meet this sum a tax of forty-five cents on the dollar on the grand list will be required; and as our people in every department of business are prosperous, and have ample means to meet this amount of taxation, it will almost certainly be consonant with their wishes to pursue the policy of applying yearly \$150,000 00 as a sinking fund, to lessen the funded debt in advance of its falling due.

Orders were drawn by me on the State Treasurer from October 24th, 1865, to January 1st, 1866, amounting to \$7,669 51, which may be classified as follows:

Services and expenses of recruiting officers,	\$128 45
Services and expenses of arresting deserters,	6 25
Defense of the frontier,	372 03
State pay prior to muster, and pay of officers,	114 60
Expenses organizing State militia,	102 84
Expenses of State military commission at Washington,	129 60
Expenses of Adjutant and Inspector General's office,	300 00
Transportation of Vermont officers, soldiers, &c.,	890 14
Expenses of State Treasurer's office, December 1, 1864, to December 1, 1865,	5,625 60

Since January 1, 1866, all orders on the treasury have been drawn by the Auditor of Accounts, in accordance with the provisions of the act approved November 9, 1865, entitled "An act defining the duties of certain State officers, and for the protection and benefit of the treasury."

By the provisions of the same act, the Governor of the State was relieved of all care and responsibility relating to the settlement of the claims of this State against the United States, and the entire duty of their adjustment and final settlement was transferred to the Auditor of Accounts, to whose report I refer you for information on the subject of those claims, as well as for details of claims allowed by him against the State.

On the 31st of October, 1865, the Quartermaster General submitted to me the following schedule of military property belonging to the State, which he recommended should be sold, to wit:

One telescope rifle, 1 target rifle, 1 coil lead pipe, 20 small tables, 87 chairs, 61 straw hats, 139 pairs cotton trowsers, 180 pairs overalls, 187 denim frocks, 28 grey coats, 243 bed sacks.

I appointed a board of survey to examine this property,

and on their report and recommendation, on the 14th day of November, 1865, ordered the Quartermaster General to sell the same at auction, which he afterwards did. This property was old and had been more or less used.

On the 5th day of December, 1865, the Quartermaster General had the following new property in his hands belonging to the State, to wit :

Thirty-seven hundred wool blankets, 2500 rubber blankets, 1200 rubber ponchos, 7776 canteens, 7776 haversacks, 1118 table knives, 1156 table forks, 757 table spoons, 636 tin plates, 709 tin cups, 175 candle-sticks, 112 pepper-boxes, which he recommended to have sold, for the reason, that it was almost impossible to preserve the most of it from injury, if not destruction, through a succession of summers, that it would be useless till wanted for the militia when called into active service, and that when, if ever, such an event should happen, similar property could probably be purchased in market for less than this would now sell for.

On this application, a board of survey was appointed, composed of C. C. Wilson, Colonel 4th Regiment Vt. State Militia, W. H. Ballou, Captain 4th Regiment Vt. State Militia, C. C. Putnam, Jr., Captain 4th Regiment Vt. State Militia, who, on examining said property, recommended its sale. Their report was confirmed, and the Quartermaster General authorized to sell the same, at such time or times as he saw fit, with directions to stop or suspend the sales when, in his opinion, it was not selling at remunerative prices. Under these orders he sold property to the amount of \$6,235 64, when, finding that the United States were selling like property, in very large quantities, all over the country, thereby depressing prices, he suspended further sales ; but said order is still in force, and the residue of that property will be sold under it, during the present fall and coming winter, unless the Legislature direct otherwise.

STATE AID.

Hon. John Howe, Jr., agent for the distribution of State aid to soldiers' families, has made his final report, showing that, from September 1, 1865, to April 15, 1866, he disbursed, under the acts of April 26, 1861, and November 14, 1862, the sum, in all, of \$582 18. The agent states that there is now no outstanding claim under either of those acts. I herewith transmit said report.

VOLUNTEER TROOPS.

Since the last session of the Legislature, the four companies of the 9th Regiment and the entire 7th Regiment of Vermont Volunteers have been mustered out of service. Those of the 9th were mustered out in the state of Virginia, December 1, 1865, and the 7th Regiment at Brownsville, Texas, March 14, 1866. From these points they returned to Vermont, where they were paid and discharged. Thus all the obligations of Vermont, in connection with the active prosecution of the war for the preservation of the Union, have been performed, and all the organizations sent from the State, and which have contributed so largely to its reputation and honor, and to the final success of the national arms, have ceased to exist as such, and the officers and men composing them have laid aside their arms, assumed the garb of the citizen, and have quietly mingled with the mass of the community. All honor to these noble men that yet live; all respect, undying respect, to the memories of the fallen, who so cheerfully gave their own lives that their country might continue to live!

The original numbers that composed the different Vermont organizations for the war, were:

Officers,	702
Enlisted men,	17,828
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	18,530

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Appointed commissioned officers,	58
Enlisted men,	10,379
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	10,437
Aggregate number,	<hr/>
	28,967

Loss.

By promotions to U. S. A.,	143
Transfers to other organizations,	1,136
Total by death,	5,128
Total by discharge,	5,022
Deserted,	2,219
Dropped from rolls,	5
Not finally accounted for,	75
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	13,728

Total of loss (brought from preceding page),	13,728
Mustered out of service, in all,	15,239
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Aggregate,	28,967
Veterans re-enlisted,	1,961
Enlisted in the U. S. Navy, Army and Marine Corps,	1,339
Drafted men, paid commutation,	1,971
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Total number of men furnished by this State,	34,238

NORMAL AND COMMON SCHOOLS.

For many years there has been an increasing strength of public sentiment in this State favorable to the adoption of some adequate means of supplying a more specific course of instruction for the teachers of our common schools. This sentiment has increased very rapidly, and has become more and more defined within the past few years, until the great majority of thoughtful friends of popular education seem thoroughly united in desiring the establishment of some system of State normal instruction.

The national troubles, and the very large expenditures induced thereby, have hitherto delayed any attempt to inaugurate such system as would respond to the general demand; for, while all have been united in opinion that we were in duty bound to lose nothing of the ground already gained in the field of educational labor, all have equally agreed that the heavy burden of our taxes rendered it unadvisable to undertake any new enterprises, however laudable, which must necessarily increase so largely the State burdens, as would be done by the attempt to establish a system of State normal schools similar to those of some of our sister states.

Within the last year, the way seems to have been opened by which a beginning may be made in the accomplishment of this important work, and at very slight expense to the State. The trustees of Orange County Grammar School—an institution of established character—have proposed to the Board of Education to surrender up the use of their school property for a term of years, for the purpose of converting their school into a State Normal School; the Board of Education to establish courses of study, the first to include all the branches required by law to be taught in the common schools, and the second to be more rigid, and to require in

its mastery a year's longer time; the board to determine the qualifications for admission to and graduation from the school, and to attend, by its agents, upon all examinations, and decide who shall be allowed to enter and to graduate; the board to nominate the principal, and the trustees to engage as principal no other than some person so nominated by the board; the trustees to keep the school property in good repair, and to determine the rates of tuition and receive the same for their own benefit; graduates from the first course to receive certificates which shall inure to their benefit, as qualifying them to teach in any common school in the State for five years; and graduates from the higher course to receive credentials which shall avail them as perpetual certificates. This proposition has been approved by the Board of Education, and will appear at length in the report of their Secretary, and, at their request, I commend the subject to your careful consideration.

I recommend the enactment of a law by which the Board of Education may be empowered to accept the proposition referred to, and also to accept, in their discretion, similar propositions from other schools in different parts of the State, and to carry out the compacts that will result from such acceptances, by attending, in person or by agents, the examinations for admission to and graduation from any schools thus adopted, and granting to graduates the appropriate certificates.

I desire also to commend to your attention the matter of the authorized list of school text-books, a somewhat extended discussion of which will be found in the report of the Board of Education to your honorable body. The original selection of school books was made in 1859, to expire in 1864; but the time originally appointed for its duration was afterwards extended to 1867, and will now soon expire. This plan of an authoritative selection of school books, although strongly opposed at first, seems to have won its way to very general approval.

Some legislation at your present session will be necessary to prevent a return to an unlimited diversity of books, that cannot but injure the schools; and I recommend that the Board of Education be empowered to revise the authorized list of school books, and publish the same as soon as may be practicable, and that the authority of the present list be continued until such revision be made public.

REFORM SCHOOL.

Under the act approved November 9, 1865, entitled "An act to establish the Vermont Reform School," I appointed, by and with the advice of the Senate, Aaron G. Pease as acting commissioner, and Lewis A. Dunn and Lewis Pratt advisory commissioners, who soon afterwards located said school at Waterbury, Vt. ; and in connection with said location, the commissioners purchased about sixty-seven acres of land, part of the old Governor Butler farm, so called, taking a deed of the same to the State, at the price of six thousand two hundred dollars. This purchase exceeded by two hundred dollars the sum they were authorized by said act to pay for land. They paid toward it six thousand dollars, and gave a guarantee to deed back one acre out of the south-east corner of the land purchased, in case the Legislature at its present session should fail to make a further appropriation of the two hundred dollars. The land purchased had large and valuable buildings on it, suited to the wants of the school, and though the commissioners were unrestricted in the amount of expense in erecting all suitable buildings for the accommodation of said school, yet as these buildings came with the land, the restriction as to the sum to be paid for the land, applied to the whole purchase. I most heartily recommend the appropriation of the remaining two hundred dollars, as the acre to be conveyed back is worth much more than that sum.

Russell Butler is the owner of about sixty-five acres of land, which adjoins that purchased, and is a part of the old Governor Butler farm. This he proposed to sell to the State, as a part of the Reform School farm, at the price of four thousand two hundred dollars, and he gave a bond to convey it at that price, should the Legislature at the present session appropriate money for its purchase. This land is nearly destitute of buildings ; a portion of it is rich meadow land, a portion excellent pasturage, and the residue—twenty to twenty-five acres—excellent wood-land. This land is richly worth the price asked, and would, in my opinion, be a very judicious purchase for the State, as it seems really necessary in order to constitute such a farm as the school needs ; and should the present opportunity to purchase it be neglected, I do not think it could ever again be obtained at anything like the price now asked. I therefore recommend an appropriation for its purchase at the price named.

The buildings purchased have been repaired and enlarged, so as to accommodate from twenty-five to thirty scholars, and the school is now open for the reception of juvenile offenders, quite a number having already been received; and I think it gives good promise of accomplishing all that the State expects from such an institution.

The first report of the commissioners has been made to me, and I have caused the same to be printed, ready for immediate distribution. I commend its suggestions and recommendations to your careful consideration.

FISHING REGULATIONS IN LAKE CHAMPLAIN.

Pursuant to the act of the General Assembly, entitled "An act to prevent taking shad or white-fish in Lake Champlain or its tributaries," approved November 6, 1865, I caused copies thereof to be forwarded to the governor-general of Canada, and the governor of New York, with the request that "their respective governments adopt like measures prohibiting the taking, killing, or destroying of shad or white-fish in the parts of said lake within their respective jurisdictions." The subject was taken into consideration with promptness and courtesy by the government of Canada, and on the 13th day of April, 1866, the following regulation was approved by the governor-general in council, under the Canadian fishery act, viz: "No person shall, during the months of September, October and November, take, kill or destroy any shad or white-fish in the waters of that part of Lake Champlain situated within the Province of Canada." A communication from the governor of New York, of May 19th, 1866, informed me that early in the session of the legislature of that state, he sent a copy of said act to that body, and by special message called their attention to the law passed by the General Assembly of Vermont, and urged upon them the importance of a similar enactment on their part, but that, owing to a press of other business, the legislature adjourned without final action thereon. The act of this State, is, therefore, by its terms, still inoperative.

RESTORATION OF SEA-FISH TO THE CONNECTICUT RIVER.

Under the joint resolution of the last session of the Legislature, relative to the restoration of sea-fish to the Connecticut river and its tributaries, I appointed Albert D. Hager, State Geologist, and Hon. Charles Barrett, Commissioners. I also communicated copies of said joint resolution to the

governors of Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Connecticut. The Commissioners' report may be expected during your present session.

Under another joint resolution of the last session, relating to the improvident destruction of shad in the Connecticut river, I addressed a communication to the governor of Connecticut, requesting him to call the attention of the legislature of that state, then in session, to the subject and to the resolution of our State, a verified copy of which I transmitted to him. I also transmitted copies of the same to the governors of Massachusetts and New Hampshire. In response to the application made to the state of Connecticut, I herewith transmit to you the certified copy of a joint resolution, passed by the legislature of that state at its last session, showing their willingness to co-operate with the other states in interest, in the restoration of shad to the waters of the Connecticut.

NATIONAL STATUARY HALL.

Under the joint resolution of the Legislature relating to the National Statuary Hall, adopted at its last session, I at an early day appointed Hon. Solomon Foot and Hon. Justin S. Morrill, Commissioners to examine the subject, so far as it relates to this State, and to make report to the present session, with such facts and suggestions as would enable you to take definite action in the matter. After the death of Senator Foot, I appointed the Hon. George F. Edmunds, Commissioner to act with Mr. Morrill in the premises. A report may be expected from these gentlemen soon.

PARIS EXHIBITION.

I am advised that our State Geologist, Albert D. Hager, intends going to Europe next season, mainly for the purpose of learning more of the coal mines of Newcastle, the copper mines of Cornwall, the slate quarries of Wales, the silver mines of Germany, and the marble quarries of Italy. Should the Legislature authorize the Governor, without expense to the State, to commission Mr. Hager as State Agent to the Paris Exhibition in 1867, it would give him the benefit, in his travels in the rest of Europe, of those courtesies and facilities for obtaining all desirable information, which are sure to be extended to one being a commissioner from the United States, or from a state of the Union. The informa-

tion gathered by Mr. Hager would undoubtedly be of value in the development of the mineral wealth of this State.

UNITED STATES SENATORS.

The last Legislature adjourned on the 10th day of November, 1865, at 8 o'clock A. M. Within an hour afterwards intelligence was received that Hon. Jacob Collamer, Senator from this State in the Congress of the United States, died at his residence in Woodstock during the preceding night. Was the vacancy thus created one which it was the duty of the Governor of the State to fill? I at once submitted the question to the Judges of the Supreme Court, who, after consideration, gave me their opinion in writing, holding that the facts, as above stated, constituted such a vacancy as the Constitution made it the duty of the Governor to fill. Subsequently, on the 21st day of November, 1865, I appointed Hon. Luke P. Poland, of St. Johnsbury, a Senator from this State in the Congress of the United States, to fill the aforesaid vacancy until the next meeting of the General Assembly of this State.

On the 28th day of March last, Hon. Solomon Foot, Senator from this State in the Congress of the United States, died at Washington, in the District of Columbia. On the 3d day of April, 1866, I filled the vacancy thus occasioned, by appointing Hon. George F. Edmunds, of Burlington, Senator from this State in the Congress of the United States, until the meeting of the General Assembly of this State.

The loss of both her Senators within so brief a period, was a calamity unprecedented in the history of Vermont—unprecedented in the history of any of her sister states. Their long experience and distinguished services, their rare ability and ripe wisdom, their tried and unfailing constancy to duty and fidelity to state and country, their Christian purity and nobility of character, had won for them the foremost rank in the councils of the nation. In the fullness of their great usefulness and influence, at a time when the needs of the nation cried out for their continuance among us, they were, by the decrees of an inscrutable but just Providence, called hence. Their loss seems irreparable. Vermont, doubly honored by their lives, weeps over their fresh graves, and the nation mourns with her. The never-fading record of their lives remains a rich legacy to their State, a guiding

light upon the pathway of their successors, an inspiration to all.

JUDGES OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Hon. Luke P. Poland, having on the 21st day of November, 1865, received the appointment of United States Senator from this State, resigned the office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Vermont, to which he had then recently been elected. The vacancy occasioned by this resignation, I on the 30th day of November, 1865, filled by appointing Hon. John Pierpoint, of Vergennes, to be Chief Justice of said Court until the then next meeting of the General Assembly. On the same day I also appointed, for the same period of time, Hon. James Barrett, of Woodstock, to be first Assistant Justice, Hon. Loyal C. Kellogg, of Rutland, to be second Assistant Justice, Hon. Asahel Peck, of Burlington, to be Third Assistant Justice, and Hon. William C. Wilson, of Bakersfield, to be Fourth Assistant Justice of said Court; thus leaving a vacancy in the office of Fifth Assistant Justice: and on the same day I appointed Hon. Benjamin H. Steele, of Derby, Fifth Assistant Justice of said Court, to fill said vacancy until the meeting of the General Assembly.

STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

Since my last annual communication to the Legislature, the work of reconstructing and reorganizing the state and local governments, which, for more than four years, had been in rebellion against the federal authority, has largely engaged the attention of the executive and legislative departments of the General Government; and, as is both necessary and wise in a republic in which the citizens are sovereign and the source of all power, this work has commanded the interested and intelligent observation and criticism of the whole people of the country.

Unhappily for the best solution of this problem of reorganization, the national executive and the national legislature have not been in accord in their views of the best method of restoring these insurgent communities to their true relations to the federal Government; and the work has thereby been much delayed, the difficulties which environ it have been much increased, and the southern communities have become much more hostile than at first to the demands of that wise policy which would render "treason odious," obtain

ample security for the future, and enable the Government to redeem every pledge it has made to its creditors, to its friends, and to the race which it has emancipated.

The executive branch of the Government, having inaugurated the work of reorganizing the rebellious states without seeking the advice or co-operation of Congress, has continued to insist upon its exclusive control of the work, and has denied to the legislative branch of the Government any share in the determination of the *status* of the insurgent communities, or the conditions of their restoration; and while denying to Congress all right to judge of the completeness of this work of reorganization, it has conceded only the right of each House to judge of the elections, returns and qualifications of its own members. This policy assumes that the Executive has the sole right to reconstruct, reorganize and restore to their former condition in the Government, the people, communities and states which have waged a gigantic war against that Government; and it insists, with emphatic iteration, that Congress, by refusing to recognize the executive reconstruction as just, safe, complete and constitutional, and at once admitting to seats in the Senate and House of Representatives persons claiming to be elected by states thus reorganized, is assuming functions which do not belong to it, infracting the Constitution, and attempting, with a guilt equal to that of the rebellion, to dismember the Union.

On the assembling of Congress in December last, and throughout its last session, that body claimed for itself the constitutional right to examine this work of reconstruction, and judge both of its conditions and completeness. After a careful and prolonged investigation, through its joint committee on reconstruction, of the condition of the states lately in rebellion, the disposition of their inhabitants, and the workings and results of the executive method of reorganization, it was fully satisfied that the political and civil power in those states was, in almost every instance, placed in the hands of those who, during the rebellion, were either active in their hostility to the national Government, or gave aid and comfort to its enemies; while it was apparent that, without further conditions than the executive plan proposed, those who had been during the rebellion the bitterest enemies of the national authority, would have the unchecked and entire political control of those states in the future, and would use

that control to oppress and put under ban those who have never swerved from their fidelity to the Union.

Congress, therefore, wisely in my judgment, declined to treat the states which had confederated in their treason against the Government, as rightfully entitled to immediate representation in the national legislature, or to be released from the control of the federal authority; and this decision was evidently in agreement with the opinions of a large majority of the people who had heartily sustained the Government in its contest with the rebellion.

To the reading and thinking people of the nation, who judge by facts and results rather than by the refinements of argument, the riots at Memphis and New Orleans have furnished the most complete and startling evidence of the inherent error of the executive scheme, and have written its condemnation in characters of blood. In those riots peaceable citizens, with circumstances of savage atrocity, were cruelly murdered by a mob, incited and led by local officials, and inspired by an illiberal and intense prejudice against an inoffensive race, and by a vengeful hatred of those who dared to claim equal political and civil rights for all men; and these outbreaks have furnished melancholy proof of the danger of committing unrestrained political and civil power to men recently rebels, and are significant commentaries upon that reorganization of which they were the legitimate fruits.

Congress, however, did not insist upon its constitutional right to inaugurate the work of reorganizing the governments of the states which had confederated in rebellion, nor did it surrender that right, but in its legislative action it manifested a willingness to suffer the work of the Executive to remain undisturbed, so far as it could do so with due respect to the dignity and safety of the republic, and with a proper regard to the security and protection of the property, liberty and lives of all the people of the United States.

After a laborious and extended session and a patient comparison of views, both Houses of Congress agreed, by the necessary two-thirds vote, to propose to the legislatures of the several states the following amendment to the federal Constitution:

A M E N D M E N T .

ARTICLE XIV.

SEC. 1. All persons born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of

the United States and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

SEC. 2. Representatives shall be apportioned among the several states according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each state, excluding Indians not taxed. But when the right to vote at any election for the choice of electors for President and Vice President of the United States, Representatives in Congress, the executive and judicial officers of a state, or the members of the legislature thereof, is denied to any of the male inhabitants of such state, being twenty-one years of age and citizens of the United States, or in any way abridged, except for participation in rebellion or other crime, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens twenty-one years of age in such state.

SEC. 3. No person shall be a Senator or Representative in Congress, or elector of President and Vice President, or hold any office, civil or military, under the United States, or under any state, who, having previously taken an oath as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any state legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any state, to support the Constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof. But Congress may, by a vote of two-thirds of each house, remove such disability.

SEC. 4. The validity of the public debt of the United States, authorized by law, including debts incurred for payment of pensions and bounties for services in suppressing insurrection or rebellion, shall not be questioned. But neither the United States nor any state shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for the loss or emancipation of any slave; but all such debts, obligations, and claims shall be held illegal and void.

SEC. 5. The Congress shall have power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article.

Soon after this proposed amendment was adopted, it was ratified by the legislature of Tennessee, and immediately thereupon the senators and representatives previously chosen by that state, upon taking the oaths prescribed by law, were admitted to seats in the respective Houses of Congress.

Texas is the only other state confederated in the rebellion, that has acted upon this amendment. There it was rejected, the legislature directing the committee having it in charge to return it to the Secretary of State.

Every other state—except Oregon, whose legislature first ratified and then rejected it—which stood by the Government during the rebellion, whose legislature has been in session since the amendment was proposed, has ratified it; and there is good reason to confidently anticipate that it will be ratified by the number of states necessary to make it a part of the federal Constitution.

While this amendment does not contain a single proposition which the Executive has not, either in his speeches or official communications, approved, its only danger of defeat—a danger now happily small—arises from his hostility to its ratification.

The issue presented to the people this fall has been and will be this policy of Congress, as contrasted with that of the Executive Department of the Government. The former puts such safeguards about the restoration of the states lately confederated in rebellion to an equal participation in the Government with the states which always remained true to the flag, as shall secure to the original Union men of the South equal rights and impartial liberty, while it stamps upon treason the indelible mark of the people's condemnation. The latter restores to civil and political power the men who plotted the rebellion and fought it through to its bitter end, leaving to their unappeased and unrelenting hate a minority of whites so small as to be helpless, and the entire colored race, to whom liberty has been given, and its peaceable and full enjoyment guaranteed.

The elections already held have resulted in the triumphant approval of the Congressional policy; and there is no reasonable doubt that the elections yet to be held will pronounce as unmistakably in favor of the constitutional amendment.

Vermont, as is her wont when called to any good work, led the way with a grand emphasis in the popular approval of Congress. Yet, decisive as her declaration was at the

polls, the State would have welcomed, with still greater enthusiasm and with a more triumphant majority, such a reorganization of the rebellious communities, as would have given to the people, white and black, the equal civil and political rights secured to the people of this State by our Bill of Rights and Constitution, and under which peace, order, civilization, education, contentment, Christianity and liberty have shed their benign and blessed influence alike upon every home and household in our beloved Commonwealth.

I invoke upon you, and your labors, the blessing of that God who has hitherto so graciously led and upheld us as a State and people.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, }
Montpelier, Oct. 12, 1866. }

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the message of the Governor be ordered to lie upon the table, and that the Clerk be directed to procure the printing of one thousand copies of the same for the use of the General Assembly ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Miner offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the amendment proposed by Congress to the Constitution of the United States, be referred to a joint committee, to consist of three senators, appointed by the President of the Senate, and five members of the House, appointed by the Speaker ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. White, of Windsor, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the finances of the State be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Dunn offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to State Normal Schools, be referred to a select committee to consist of one member from each county in the State ;

Which was read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Clark, of Poultney, the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the House of Representatives a communication in writing, with an accompanying document.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,
Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Oct. 13, 1866. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR : I take great pleasure in transmitting herewith to the House of Representatives, for the use of the General Assembly, a communication from Hon. William H. Seward, Secretary of State of the United States, covering an attested copy of a resolution of Congress, proposing to the legislatures of the several states an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

Which communication, on motion of Mr. Miner, was
Ordered to lie.

Mr. Rounds, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following report :

To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Rules respectfully report the following as the rules of the House for the present session, and recommend their adoption.

WILLIAM ROUNDS, for Committee.

RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SEC. 1.

The House shall meet every day (Sundays excepted), at ten o'clock in the morning, and at two o'clock in the afternoon, unless otherwise specially ordered.

OF COMMITTEES.

SEC. 2.

At the commencement of each session the following standing committees shall be appointed, viz :

A committee of three members to report rules of the House.

A committee consisting of seven members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to the election of members ; to be denominated the Committee of Elections.

A committee consisting of five members, who shall take into consideration all matters affecting the revenue of the State—shall, from time to time, inquire into the state of the treasury ; ascertain the amount of debts due the State, and the claims against it ; report the amount of taxes necessary to be raised for the support of Government, and inquire whether any, and if any, what measures ought to be adopted the better to equalize the public burdens, secure the accountability of public agents, and otherwise improve the financial concerns of the State ; to be denominated the Committee of Ways and Means.

A committee consisting of five members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to the militia ; to be denominated the Committee on Military Affairs.

A committee consisting of five members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to the judiciary ; to be denominated the Judiciary Committee.

A committee, consisting of five members, to take into consideration all literary and scientific subjects ; to be denominated the Committee on Education.

A committee consisting of five members, who shall take into consideration all claims against the State ; to be denominated the Committee of Claims.

A committee consisting of five members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to roads ; to be denominated the Committee on Roads.

A committee consisting of five members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to banks ; to be denominated the Committee on Banks.

A committee consisting of five members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to domestic manufactures ; to be denominated the Committee on Manufactures.

A committee consisting of five members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to agriculture ; to be denominated the Committee on Agriculture.

A committee consisting of five members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to land taxes ; to be denominated the Land Tax Committee.

A committee of two members from each county, to make up the Grand List.

A committee of one member from each county to take into consideration all subjects referred to a member from each county ; to be denominated the General Committee.

A committee of one member from each county, whose duty it shall be to receive and distribute all public documents and papers, printed for the use of the members ; to be denominated the Distributing Committee.

A committee consisting of five members, to take into consideration all matters relating to the State Prison ; to be denominated the Committee on the State Prison.

A committee of five members, to whom shall be referred all bills and other matters relative to private corporations, for which there may be no other appropriate committee, to be denominated the Committee on Corporations.

A committee of five members, to whom shall be referred all bills and other matters relative to town lines ; to be denominated the Committee on Town Lines.

A committee consisting of one member from each county, to take into consideration all matters relating to the mileage and debentures of the members of the House ; to be denominated the Committee on Mileage and Debentures.

A committee consisting of five members, to take into consideration all matters relating to the public buildings ; to be denominated the Committee on Public Buildings.

SEC. 3.

No committee shall sit during the session of the House, without leave from the House.

SEC. 4.

All committees shall have a right to report by bill.

SEC. 5.

All committees shall be made by the Speaker, but any

appointment made by him may, on motion of a member, be overruled by the House: in which case the House shall, on the nomination of a member, immediately fill the vacancy.

SEC. 6.

Any member may excuse himself from serving on any committee, if, at the time of his appointment, he shall be a member of two other committees.

SEC. 7.

When the House shall have ordered the appointment of a committee, the Speaker shall be entitled to one recess of the House in which to make the appointment.

OF THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE SPEAKER AND OTHER MEMBERS.

SEC. 8.

The Speaker shall take the chair at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, call to order and proceed to business; causing the journals of the previous day to be read at the opening of the House on each day, unless otherwise ordered by the House. He shall preserve order, and may speak on questions of order in preference to any other member, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide on all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House.

SEC. 9.

In case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the gallery or lobby, the Speaker may cause the same to be cleared.

SEC. 10.

If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the House, the Speaker shall, or any other member may, call to order, in which case the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain, and the House shall, if appealed to, decide the same without debate. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he shall be at liberty to proceed; if otherwise, and the case require, he shall be liable to the censure of the House.

SEC. 11.

No member shall speak more than twice to the same question without permission from the House; nor shall he speak

the second time while the floor is claimed by a member who has not spoken to the question under consideration.

SEC. 12.

No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave of absence, is sick, or unable to attend.

SEC. 13.

The yeas and nays shall be ordered on any question, on demand of a member, and when taken, and also on a division of the House, every member present, except the Speaker, shall vote, unless excused by the House; but no member shall be compelled to vote who was not present when the question was stated from the chair; nor shall any one, in taking the yeas and nays, be permitted to vote, except by unanimous consent, who was not within the bar of the House when his name was called; and when any member shall ask leave to vote, the Speaker shall propound to him the question: "Were you within the bar of the House when your name was called?" Nor shall any member be permitted to vote on any question in which he is immediately or directly interested.

SEC. 14.

In all cases of ballot by the House, the Speaker shall vote; in other cases he shall not be required to vote, unless the House be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal; and in case of such equal division the question shall be lost. And no member, or other person shall visit or remain by the Clerk's table while the yeas and nays are being called, or the ballots are being counted.

SEC. 15.

No member in the minority, or who did not vote on any question, shall have a right to move a reconsideration thereof, nor shall a motion for reconsideration be in order, unless made before the close of the next day of actual session after that on which the vote was taken.

SEC. 16.

Every member, on presenting a resolution, shall state, shortly, the object of it, and shall be held responsible for the propriety of expression therein used.

SEC. 17.

Every motion shall be reduced to writing by the mover, if required by the Speaker, or any other member.

SEC. 18.

The Speaker shall have a right to call upon any member to discharge the duties of the Chair, whenever, from indisposition or other cause, he shall find it necessary temporarily to retire from it; and when the House shall go into Committee of the Whole, the chairman shall be named by the Speaker.

SEC. 19.

All petitions shall be referred to a committee without reading, unless the reading be demanded by a member.

SEC. 20.

The House having once decided on any question, it shall not again be brought before the House by any member thereof, in any form whatever, during the same session.

SEC. 21.

When a motion shall be made for a call of the House, the call shall be ordered, if said motion is sustained by a majority of the members present.

SEC. 22.

No motion to amend the rules of the House shall be acted upon until it shall have been before the House at least twenty-four hours.

SEC. 23.

The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, the Treasurer and Secretary of State, Auditor of Accounts, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, and members of the State Senate, senators and members of Congress, the Judges of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, the District Judge, Collector, Attorney and Marshal of the United States, and such as have previously held those offices; the members of the Council of Censors; the clergy, and such as may be introduced by a member, shall be admitted to seats on the floor of the House.

SEC. 24.

Counsel may be admitted to advocate any cause, if permitted by three-fourths of the members present.

SEC. 25.

No bill shall pass the House until it shall have been read three several times, the last of which shall be at least twenty-four hours after the first reading, and the third reading of all bills of a public nature shall be ordered for some particular day.

SEC. 26.

Every bill originating in the House shall be engrossed before it is read a third time, and at the third reading it shall not be amended in the House, unless by unanimous consent; but it may be committed to a member for amendment.

SEC. 27.

All bills shall be read a second time by their titles only, unless the reading shall be demanded by a member; and all bills after the second reading, and all petitions, memorials, remonstrances, resolutions, and other papers, calling for legislative action (except such as have been reported by a committee), no objection being made, shall be referred by the Speaker to appropriate committees.

SEC. 28.

No bill for the charter, re-charter, or increase of capital of any bank, or for the alteration of county or town lines, or the removal or alteration of shires, shall be entertained by the House, upon its being made to appear to the committee, to which it may have been referred, that the required notice has not been given.

SEC. 29.

The subject matter of each and every bill shall be briefly indicated in the title by the mover, at the time of its introduction; and every bill and resolution shall be properly folded, and the name of the mover, and the town he represents, shall be legibly written on the bottom of the same before it shall be offered.

SEC. 30.

A two-thirds vote of all present shall be required for the suspension of any rule of the House.

M O T I O N S .

SEC. 31.

A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be determined without debate.

SEC. 32.

Motions on bills and resolutions shall be sustained in the following order :

1. To dismiss.
2. To postpone to a day certain.
3. To lay on the table.
4. To commit.
5. To amend.

SEC. 33.

If the question in debate contain several points, the same shall be divided on the demand of a member. A motion to strike out and insert shall not be divided, but the rejection of a motion to strike out and insert one proposition shall not preclude a motion to strike out and insert a different one, or a motion simply to strike out prevent a subsequent one to strike out and insert.

SEC. 34.

In filling blanks, the largest sum and the longest time shall be the first in order.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SEC. 35.

The first hour of each morning's sitting may be devoted to the reception and disposal of petitions, memorials, remonstrances, motions, resolutions, and the introduction of bills ; after which the orders of the day, or other proper business, shall be announced, always commencing with the unfinished business of the last sitting. The first hour of the afternoon's sitting may be occupied in the receiving and disposing of reports of committees, and in completing the business of the morning hour ; at the expiration of which, the House will again take up the orders of the day.

REPORTS.

SEC. 36.

Reports of committees may be signed by any member in behalf of the committee, and may be made to the House by any member of the committee in person, or by laying the same on the Speaker's table during the afternoon hour. The signer of such report shall be held responsible for the accuracy of its statements, and the propriety of its language, and when the same shall be under consideration, he shall be

further liable to answer all proper calls of any member of the House for additional statements of facts.

SEC. 37.

All bills and other matters reported to the House by committees, requiring the action of the House, shall be taken up and considered in the same order in which they are reported, unless the House should otherwise direct.

SEC. 38.

All incidental questions of order, arising after a motion is made for the previous question, and pending such motion, shall be decided, whether on appeal, or otherwise, without debate.

PRINTING.

SEC. 39.

After the second reading of all bills of a public character, the Clerk shall cause not less than three hundred copies of the same to be forthwith printed for the use of the members of the General Assembly.

SEC. 40.

All messages from the House of Representatives to the Senate, shall be transmitted by its Clerk, or one of his Assistants.

SEC. 41.

Each and every member shall, immediately after the election of Speaker and Clerk, and taking the oath required by the Constitution, subscribe to the same in a book provided for that purpose, unless said member shall have previously subscribed to said oath at some former session of the Legislature.

The question being, Shall the report of the committee be adopted? it was decided in the affirmative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate have considered a joint resolution providing for a joint committee to canvass the votes for county officers, judges of probate and justices of the peace: also,

A joint resolution inviting the senators and members of Congress to address the Legislature ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have adopted a joint resolution tendering the use of the Representatives' Hall to the Congregational Society of Montpelier ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have appointed the following named senators to canvass the votes for county officers, judges of probate, and justices of the peace :

Addison County	Mr. Smith,
Bennington County	" Root,
Caledonia County	" Sanborn,
Chittenden County	" Lane,
Essex County	" Dale,
Franklin County	" Clapp,
Grand Isle County	" Hill,
Lamoille County	" Hendee,
Orange County	" Martin,
Orleans County	" Skinner,
Rutland County	" Dorr,
Washington County	" Orcutt,
Windham County	" Kellogg,
Windsor County	" Harlow.

They have also appointed the following joint standing committees :

On Bills:

Mr. Porter of Addison,
" Doton of Windsor.

On Joint Rules:

Mr. Taft of Chittenden,
" Dale of Essex.

On the Library:

Mr. Reed of Washington,
" Dorr of Rutland.

They have also appointed the following committee, on the part of the Senate, to visit the State Reform School :

Mr. Porter of Addison,
" Skinner of Orleans,

Mr. Goodhue of Windham,
" Howe of Rutland,
" Harlow of Windsor.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives during the present session, be tendered to the Congregational Church of Montpelier, of which Rev. Dr. Lord is pastor, for public worship on the Sabbath ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

The Clerk appointed as his assistants for the present session :

Albert Clarke of Rochester,
Eldin J. Hartshorn of Rutland,
D. Webster Dixon of Grand Isle.

He also appointed as Clerks to make up the abstracts of the Grand List :

Isaac W. Sanborn of Lyndon,
Joel H. Lucia of Vergennes.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Shedd, of Hardwick,

H. 3. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Hardwick, for the year 1864 ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Wheelock,

H. 4. At act to incorporate the Cambridge Mount Mansfield Turnpike Road Company ;

To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Gilson,

H. 5. An act to legalize the action of the selectmen of Cavendish ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Benton, of Guildhall,

H. 6. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Essex County Railroad Company," approved November 1, 1864 ;

To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Jones,

H. 7. An act to incorporate the Northfield South Village Slate and Tile Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Marsh,

H. 8. An act to pay Thomas E. Powers the balance due him for superintending the reconstruction of the State House ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury,

H. 9. An act in amendment of section nine, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on Education.

Mr. Miner moved that when this House adjourn, it adjourn to meet on Monday morning next ;

Which motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Harris, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of Saturday read and approved.

Mr. Kellogg introduced a bill entitled

H. 10. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Benson, for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Park introduced a bill entitled

H. 11. An act declaring the assent of this State to a certain article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States ;

Which was read the first and second time, and, on motion of Mr. Park, referred to a select committee to consist of five members of the House.

Mr. Phillips offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
That Mr. J. S. Adams, Secretary of the Vermont Board o

Education, be invited to address the Legislature upon the educational interests of the State, at as early a day in the present session as shall be convenient and practicable, and that the use of the Representatives' Hall be tendered him for that purpose; also, that a copy of this resolution, duly and formally certified, be seasonably transmitted to him;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Wheelock offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be granted to the Vermont Bible Society, next Wednesday evening, (Oct. 17), and to the Vermont Colonization Society, next Thursday evening, (Oct. 18);

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have, on their part, adopted a joint resolution providing for the appointment of a joint committee, to whom shall be referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That a joint committee of three senators and five representatives be appointed, who shall take into consideration so much of the Governor's message as relates to the amendment of the Constitution of the United States, and recommend to their respective Houses such action thereon as they shall deem proper;

Was read, and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Baird introduced a bill entitled

H. 12. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden, for the year 1866;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, introduced a bill entitled

H. 13. An act to incorporate the Altimont Cornet Band;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Joseph Tripp presented his credentials as the representative of the town of Stratton, received the oaths of office, and was thereupon admitted to take his seat in the House.

Mr. Pierce offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Banks be requested to inquire into the propriety of abolishing the office of Bank Commissioner, or of reducing the salary of said officer in proportion to the reduction of the number of State banks that has already taken place ;

Which was read and adopted.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Sergeant-at-Arms, as follows :

HON. J. W. STEWART,

Speaker of the House of Representatives,

SIR : I have the honor to report the following appointments in my department :

Doorkeeper :

John Barden of Wells.

Assistant Doorkeeper :

Henry C. Robbins of Ludlow.

Messengers :

Charles H. Lane of Cornwall,
Leland L. Harrington of St. Johnsbury,
Fred W. Wilder of Rupert,
Edwin E. Webster of Guilford.

Z. C. CAMP, *Sergeant-at-Arms.*

On motion of Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Speaker announced the appointment, on the part of the House, of the following

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES :

Under Fourth Joint Rule :

Mr. Prout of Rutland,

“ Taft of Newark,

“ Fletcher of Reading.

On Bills:

Mr. Lamb of Whitingham,
“ Hay of Bradford.

On Joint Rules:

Mr. Miner of Manchester,
“ Soper of Coventry.

On the Library:

Mr. Hubbard of Stockbridge,
“ Burt of Swanton,
“ Welch of Williston.

The Speaker also announced the appointment of the following

STANDING COMMITTEES:

On Elections:

Mr. Walker of Ludlow,
“ Miles of Hinesburgh,
“ Carpenter of Pawlet,
“ Bickford of Troy,
“ Wells of Athens,
“ Bradley of Sheffield,
“ Martin of Sheldon.

On Ways and Means:

Mr. Clark of Poultney,
“ Foster of Montpelier,
“ Marsh of Woodstock,
“ Hard of Arlington,
“ Goss of Vergennes.

On the Judiciary:

Mr. Miner of Manchester,
“ Prout of Rutland,
“ Ross of St. Johnsbury,
“ Park of Bennington,
“ Brigham of Hydepark.

On Claims:

Mr. Burt of Swanton,
“ Van Sicklen of Burlington,
“ Lane of Cornwall,
“ Thompson of Lyndon,
“ McClary of Newport.

On Banks:

Mr. Park of Bennington,
“ Converse of Townshend,
“ Smith of Ferrisburgh,
“ Ross of Brandon,
“ Woods of Milton.

On Manufactures:

Mr. Greenbank of Danville,
“ Martin of Marshfield,
“ Shuffleton of Sunderland,
“ Gray of Middletown,
“ Ball of Springfield.

On Agriculture:

Mr. Pease of Charlotte,
“ Smith of Bridport,
“ Loveland of Norwich,
“ Taylor of Sherburne,
“ Barron of Washington.

To make up the Grand List:

Mr. Clafflin of Hancock,
“ Benton of Waltham,
“ Armstrong of Dorset,
“ Randall of Sandgate,
“ Stewart of Barnet,
“ Coffrin of Groton,
“ White of Shelburne,
“ Weston of Colchester,
“ Appleton of Victory,
“ Noyes of Brighton,
“ Ladd of Enosburgh,
“ Corliiss of Richford,
“ Marvin of Alburgh,
“ Irish of Grand Isle,
“ Christy of Johnson,
“ Weeks of Stowe,
“ Smith of Strafford,
“ Peake of Orange,
“ Somers of Irasburgh,
“ Curtis of Lowell,
“ Nourse of Pittsford,
“ Holmes of Hubbardton,

Mr. Graves of Duxbury,
 “ Foster of Calais,
 “ Smith of Guilford,
 “ Whitney of Wilmington,
 “ Emmons of Hartland,
 “ Shedd of West Windsor.

General Committee:

Mr. Hubbard of Stockbridge,
 “ Thomas of Orwell,
 “ Mason of Readsboro,
 “ Wyman of St. Albans,
 “ Ruggles of Sutton,
 “ Slocum of South Burlington,
 “ Marvin of Alburgh,
 “ Judevine of Concord,
 “ Cady of Morristown,
 “ Brock of Newbury,
 “ Lane of Derby,
 “ Kellogg of Benson,
 “ Jones of Northfield,
 “ Herrick of Brattleboro.

On the State Prison:

Mr. Roberts of Underhill,
 “ Bemis of Westmore,
 “ Walker of Dummerston,
 “ Spafford of Weathersfield,
 “ Hill of Starksboro.

On Corporations:

Mr. White of Windsor,
 “ Tilden of Barre,
 “ Snyder of Huntington,
 “ Phillips of Castleton,
 “ Grover of Wells.

On Town Lines:

Mr. Richardson of Westford,
 “ Hopkins of Rupert,
 “ Carpenter of Randolph,
 “ Purinton of Lincoln,
 “ Benson of Clarendon.

The Speaker also announced as the special committee on part of the House, to visit the Vermont Reform School, under the joint resolution for that purpose :

Mr. Tenny of Thetford,
“ Foster of Montpelier,
“ Ross of Brandon,
“ Marsh of Woodstock,
“ Johnson of Wardsboro.

He also announced the appointment of the following named members to constitute, on the part of the House, the joint committee to whom should be referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and to whom should be referred, also, House bill entitled

H. 11. An act declaring the assent of this State to a certain article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States, to wit :

Mr. Park of Bennington,
“ Rounds of Chester,
“ Clark of Poultney,
“ Dunn of Fairfax,
“ Brigham of Hydepark.

He also announced the appointment of the following named members to constitute the select committee to whom should be referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the State Normal School :

Mr. Walker of Ludlow,
“ Bullard of New Haven,
“ Armstrong of Dorset,
“ Ross of St. Johnsbury,
“ Van Sicklen of Burlington,
“ Benton of Guildhall,
“ Wyman of St. Albans,
“ Marvin of Alburgh,
“ Wheelock of Cambridge,
“ Hay of Bradford,
“ Root of Craftsbury,
“ Kellogg of Benson,
“ Richardson of Waitsfield,
“ Herrick of Brattleboro.

The Speaker nominated, and the House appointed, the following members to constitute the committee, on the part

of the House, to canvass the votes for county officers, judges of probate, and justices of the peace, to wit :

Addison County	Mr. Ball of Granville, " Clark of Addison, " McQuivey of Ripton.
Bennington County	" Simonds of Peru, " Barton of Shaftsbury, " Webster of Stamford.
Caledonia County	" Sanborn of Peacham, " Shedd of Hardwick, " Freeman of Waterford.
Chittenden County	" Whitcomb of Richmond, " Morse of Bolton, " Hinsdell of St. George.
Essex County	" Appleton of Victory, " Cook of Lemington, " Cooper of Canaan.
Franklin County	" Robie of Franklin, " Learnard of Bakersfield, " Cramton of Fairfield.
Grand Isle County	" Irish of Grand Isle, " Town of North Hero, " Goodsell of Isle LaMotte.
Lamoille County	" Bragg of Waterville, " Potter of Belvidere, " Wait of Eden.
Orange County	" Cleveland of Braintree, " Morgan of Topsham, " Moore of Chelsea.
Orleans County	" Seavy of Brownington, " Joslyn of Barton, " Chamberlin of Jay.
Rutland County	" Ketcham of Sudbury, " Nichols of Danby, " Rogers of Wallingford.
Washington County	" Hale of Cabot, " Bartlett of Plainfield, " Richardson of Waitsfield.

Windham County	Mr. Whitney of Wilmington,
	“ Merrifield of Brookline,
	“ Cobb of Putney.
Windsor County	“ Spalding of Weston,
	“ Burton of Andover,
	“ Chandler of Hartford.

Which said committee, and the committee to make up the grand list, were thereupon duly sworn.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have, on their part, adopted a joint resolution relating to the decease of the Hon. Jacob Collamer and the Hon. Solomon Foot ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

WHEREAS, Since the meeting of the last General Assembly, both of Vermont's distinguished senators in the Congress of the United States have been stricken down by death ; and whereas, this dispensation of Providence has cast its shadow into every household in our commonwealth, and hung with the habiliments of mourning, every homestead in our State ; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That so great a loss, and a gloom and sadness so general as to touch every heart, and fling its dark shadow over the whole State, deserves, and should receive, from the representatives of the people in General Assembly convened, a solemn and befitting recognition.

Resolved, That while we deeply mourn, we bow in humble contrition to the dispensations of an all-wise God, whose ways are not as our ways, and “ who is too wise to err, too good to be unkind.”

Resolved, That in the death of the Honorable Jacob Collamer and the Honorable Solomon Foot, both able and distinguished in the State and in the councils of the nation, their State, and the whole country, have met with a loss which is irreparable. Their personal integrity, their social virtues, their manly bearing, their devotion to the interests, the welfare and the honor of the people, and their zealous guardianship of the interests and honor of the State,

endeared them to the people, who, bestowing upon them their highest honors, and awarding to them their fullest confidence while they lived, will cherish their memories, and point with pride to their lives, as examples of purity, virtue and patriotism, for ourselves and those who are to come after us.

Resolved, That the standing and influence of our lamented senators in the Congress of the United States, always alike honorable to themselves, their constituents, and the country, gave to this State a commanding position in the councils of the nation. Their patriotism, their devotion to the principles of liberty, justice and equality, and their unswerving fidelity to the trusts of their State, and the trusts of the Union, have left an honorable and indelible impression on the pages of history, and on the records of a saved and purified republic.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be directed to transmit to the respective families of the deceased a certified copy of these resolutions.

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, the vote whereby the House, on their part, adopted the joint resolution granting the use of the Representatives' Hall to the Vermont Bible Society and Vermont Colonization Society, was reconsidered.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, it was

Ordered to lie.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House, that the Senate have adopted, on their part, a joint resolution granting the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives to the Historical Society, on Tuesday evening, October 16, 1866 ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the Vermont Historical Society, on Tuesday

evening, October 16, for the delivery of their annual address ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, moved that the Clerk request the Senate to return to the possession of the House the joint resolutions relating to the death of the Hon. Jacob Collamer and the Hon Solomon Foot ;

Which motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to return to the possession of the House the joint resolutions relating to the death of the Hon. Jacob Collamer and the Hon. Solomon Foot, agreeably to the request of the House.

On motion of Mr. Clark, of Poultney, the vote whereby the House adopted said joint resolutions in concurrence, was reconsidered.

The question being, Shall the resolutions be adopted in concurrence? on motion of Mr. Clark, of Poultney, the same were

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for to-morrow morning, at ten and one-half o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Tenney,

H. 14. An act relating to the selection of school-books ;
To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Hard,

H. 15. An act in amendment of section fourteen, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Freeman,

H. 16. An act to protect fish in Stiles's Pond, in Waterford ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Simonds,

H. 17. An act to incorporate the Peru Boot and Shoe Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Clark, of Poultney,

H. 18. An act in addition to an act incorporating the Poultney Cemetery Association ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Burt,

H. 19. An act for the preservation of shad and white-fish in Lake Champlain and its tributaries ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Bartlett, of Plainfield,

H. 20. An act to change the name of Permilla Lucy Wood to Permilla Lucy Potter ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Welch,

H. 21. An act providing for the erection of a monument over the grave of Thomas Chittenden ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Hopkins,

H. 22. An act to incorporate the West Rupert Dairy Association ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the House of Representatives a communication in writing, with accompanying documents.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT, }
 Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Oct. 16, 1866. }
To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the use of the General Assembly, the annual reports of the Quartermaster General and Sergeant-at-Arms.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

Which reports were referred, without reading, to the Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule.

Mr. Thomas presented the petition of D. C. Bascom and fifty-seven others, citizens of Orwell, praying for alteration in the existing law relative to the prohibition of taking minks and muskrats;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

The joint resolutions relating to the death of the Hon. Jacob Collamer and Hon. Solomon Foot, were taken up, as the special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the resolutions be adopted in concurrence? Mr. Brigham moved that the same be ordered to lie, and be made the special order for Wednesday, the 24th instant.

Mr. Burt moved that the motion of Mr. Brigham be modified by inserting *Thursday, the 25th instant*, in lieu of "Wednesday, the 24th instant";

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the resolutions be ordered to lie, and be made the special order for Thursday, the 25th instant? it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Brigham, it was

Ordered, that the Clerk procure printed five hundred copies of said resolutions, for the use of the House.

Mr. Prout introduced a bill entitled

H. 23. An act in amendment of sections thirty-three and thirty-five of chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE :

On Military Affairs:

Mr. Rounds of Chester,
“ Wells of Waterbury,
“ Cady of Morristown,
“ Butterfield of Grafton,
“ Paul of Pomfret.

On Education:

Mr. Dunn of Fairfax,
“ Tenney of Thetford,
“ Wheelock of Cambridge,
“ Johnson of Rockingham,
“ Bullard of New Haven.

On Land Taxes:

Mr. Benton of Guildhall,
“ Robinson of Newfane,
“ Carter of Monkton,
“ Martin of Montgomery,
“ Hamilton of Fairhaven.

On Roads:

Mr. Harris of Windham,
“ Cleaveland of Brookfield,
“ Parker of Wolcott,
“ Pierce of Rochester,
“ Welch of Williston.

On Mileage and Debentures:

Mr. Parmelee of Bristol,
“ Coleman of Winhall,
“ Graves of Kirby,
“ Whitcomb of Richmond,
“ Buzzell of Granby,
“ Bliss of Georgia,
“ Goodsell of Isle LaMotte,

Mr. Bragg of Waterville,
“ Corliss of Corinth,
“ Cheney of Glover,
“ Griffith of Mt. Tabor,
“ Cardell of Warren,
“ Whitney of Marlboro,
“ Skinner of Royalton.

On Public Buildings:

Mr. Wells of Waterbury,
“ Gilson of Cavendish,
“ Root of Craftsbury,
“ Drew of Tunbridge,
“ Birchard of Shoreham.

Distributing Committee:

Mr. Hubbard of Whiting,
“ Eddy of Glastenbury,
“ Nelson of Ryegate,
“ Weston of Essex,
“ Howard of East Haven,
“ Blaisdell of Fletcher,
“ Town of North Hero,
“ Potter of Belvidere,
“ Palmer of Williamstown,
“ Lyon of Charleston,
“ Foster of Shrewsbury,
“ Andrews of Berlin,
“ Tucker of Halifax,
“ Wood of Bridgewater.

Mr. Park introduced a bill entitled

H. 24. An act to amend an act entitled “An act to incorporate the Vermont and New York Railroad Company,” approved November 2, 1865;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Roads.

Mr. Stone introduced a bill entitled

H. 25. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Berkshire for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Rounds offered the following joint resolution :

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States, pursuant to Article Five of the Constitution of the United States, has proposed to amend the said Constitution by adding thereto the following, viz :

"ARTICLE 14.

"*Sec. 1.* All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States, and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States ; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty or property, without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

"*Sec. 2.* Representatives shall be apportioned among the several states according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each state, excluding Indians not taxed. But when the right to vote at any election for the choice of electors for President and Vice President of the United States, representatives in Congress, the executive and judicial officers of a state, or the members of the legislature thereof, is denied to any of the male inhabitants of such state, being twenty-one years of age, and citizens of the United States, or in any way abridged, except for participation in rebellion or other crime, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens twenty-one years of age in such state.

"*Sec. 3.* No person shall be a senator or representative in Congress, or elector of President and Vice President, or hold an office, civil or military, under the United States or under any state, who, having previously taken an oath, as a member of Congress or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any state legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any state, to support the Constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof. But Congress may, by a vote of two-thirds of each house, remove such disability.

"*Sec. 4.* The validity of the public debt of the United States, authorized by law, including debts incurred for payment of pensions and bounties for service in suppressing in-

surrection or rebellion, shall not be questioned. But neither the United States nor any state shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for the loss or emancipation of any slave; but all such debts, obligations and claims shall be held illegal and void.

"*Sec. 5.* That Congress shall have power to enforce by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article."

Therefore:—*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*, That the said proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, be and the same is hereby ratified by the Legislature of the State of Vermont.

Which was read, and the question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Rounds, said resolution was referred to the select joint committee raised on that subject.

Mr. Brigham presented the remonstrance of Loomis Wells and five others, legal voters of the town of Granby, against the right of John W. Buzzell, the returned member from said town, to take his seat in the House;

Which was referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. Parker introduced a bill entitled

H. 26. An act in amendment of section forty-four, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to jailors' fees;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have adopted, on their part, a joint resolution granting the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives to the Vermont Officers' Society; also

A joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly, to elect Judges and Reporter of the Decisions of the Supreme Court;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be

granted to the Vermont Officers' Society, for the delivery of their annual address, on the evening of October 25, 1866;

Was read, and adopted in concurrence.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly, on Thursday, the 18th instant, at three o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing Judges of the Supreme Court, and a Reporter of the Decisions of said Court, for the year ensuing ;

Was read, and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be granted to the Vermont Bible Society, for their annual meeting, Wednesday evening, October 17, 1866 ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Silas Mason presented his credentials as the representative of the town of Readsboro, received the oaths of office, and was thereupon admitted to take his seat in the House.

The hour for the Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Pease presented the petition of L. R. Eaton and seventy others, citizens and tax-payers of the town of Charlotte, praying the General Assembly to grant to Moses Knowlton, of Essex, in the State of New York, the exclusive right of

wharf and ferry from the McNeil wharf, so called, in said Charlotte, to said town of Essex ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Barton,

H. 27. An act to pay Norman Millington the sum therein named ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Drew,

H. 28. An act to amend section nineteen of chapter one of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Wheelock,

H. 29. An act to incorporate the Cambridge Boro' Park Association ;

On motion of Mr. Wheelock, to the Committee on Roads.

Mr. Butterfield offered the following joint resolutions :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That laws ought to be in force in all of the United States, guaranteeing equal and impartial suffrage, without respect to color.

Resolved, That it is the duty of Congress to pass laws giving this right in all places where it can be done constitutionally.

Resolved, That we hereby request our senators and representatives in Congress to use their influence for the passage of a law giving equal and impartial suffrage in the District of Columbia, as early as possible at the next session of Congress.

The question being, Shall the resolutions be adopted on the part of the House? Mr. Butterfield moved that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary ;

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, introduced a bill entitled

H. 30. An act relating to the limitation of actions against banks whose charters have expired ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, moved that the House excuse from service on the special committee to visit the Ver-

mont Reform School, Mr. Johnson of Wardsboro, a member thereof;

Which motion was agreed to.

Whereupon the Speaker appointed, to fill the vacancy thus made in said committee, Mr. Converse, of Townshend.

Mr. Walker, of Dummerston, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That when this House adjourn on Friday next, it shall be until Monday, at two o'clock P. M., of next week ;

Which was read, and the question being, Shall the resolution be adopted? on motion of Mr. Miner, the same was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 16. An act to protect fish in Stiles's Pond, in Waterford ;

Reported adversely to the passage thereof ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill were refused.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 19. An act for the preservation of shad and whitefish in Lake Champlain and its tributaries ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, presented the petition of Sewall Fullam and fifty others, inhabitants of Ludlow and vicinity, praying the General Assembly to enact a law requiring fences to be erected along highways ;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : The Senate have considered, and adopted in concurrence, the joint resolution from the House, granting the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives to the Vermont Bible Society.

On motion of Mr. Ross, of Brandon, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Bullard,

H. 31. An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list ;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

By Mr. Johnson of Rockingham,

H. 32. An act in addition to the twenty-second chapter of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Blaisdell,

H. 33. An act changing the name of Alva Wiswell Hogboom, and constituting him heir-at-law of Lewis A. Davis and Lorian Davis ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Bullard,

H. 34. An act to amend an act entitled " An act to protect fish in Otter Creek," approved November 9, 1865 ;

To the General Committee.

Mr. Bullard presented the petition of Nathan Wood and forty-two others, citizens of Middlebury and towns adjoining, praying the General Assembly to repeal so much of the act passed by the Legislature in 1865, entitled " An act to protect fish in Otter Creek," as relates to the prohibiting the taking of fish therefrom by trolling ;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Prout introduced a bill entitled

H. 35. An act to pay the register of the probate court for the district of Rutland, the sum therein named ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Vermont Reform School, be referred to a select committee consisting of five members, which committee shall also take into consideration all matters relating to the Reform School ;

Which was read and adopted.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : The Senate have adopted, on their part, a joint resolution granting the use of Representatives' Hall to the Colonization Society ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the Colonization Society, on Thursday evening, October 18, 1866 ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 19. An act to protect shad and white-fish in Lake Champlain and its tributaries ;

Was read the third time and passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Barron,

H. 36. An act laying a tax on Orange County ;

To a select committee, to consist of the members from Orange County.

By Mr. Carpenter, of Pawlet,

H. 37. An act to amend section eighty-three, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, relating to the division of public money among school districts ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Park,

H. 38. An act in relation to highway taxes in the village of North Bennington ;

To the Committee on Roads.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed a bill entitled

S. 3. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Iron Works ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Senate bill entitled

S. 3. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Iron Works ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Park introduced a bill entitled

H. 39. An act to incorporate the Bennington Water Power Company ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Miner, the resolution offered by Mr. Walker, of Dummerston, providing for temporary adjournment of the House, was taken up.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted? Mr. Miner moved to amend said resolution, in line three thereof, by striking therefrom the word "two," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *four*;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the resolution, as amended, be adopted? it was decided in the affirmative.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Whitney, of Wilmington,

H. 40. An act to pay Oscar M. Lawton the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Miner,

H. 41. An act for the preservation of the records and files pertaining to the war of 1861 for the preservation of the Union ;

On motion of Mr. Miner, to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Noyes,

H. 42. An act to protect fish in Suke's Pond ;
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Judevine,

H. 43. An act to protect fish in Hall's Pond ;
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury,

H. 44. An act relating to highways and bridges ;
To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Walker, of Ludlow,

H. 45. An act relating to fire insurance companies ;
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Potter,

H. 46. An act to change the name of Willis Peavy,
and constitute him heir-at-law of Daniel W. Chaffee and
Susan H. Chaffee ;
To the General Committee.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, offered the following joint
resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House be
directed to procure to be printed for the use of the General
Assembly, five hundred copies of the addresses by Senator
Edmunds and others, on Tuesday evening, the 16th instant.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the
part of the House? Mr. Butterfield moved that the same be
Ordered to lie ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the resolution be adopted
on the part of the House? Mr. Marsh moved to amend, in
line seven, by striking therefrom the words " five hundred,"
and inserting in lieu thereof the words *one thousand ;*

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, moved further to amend, in line
nine, by inserting after the word " others " the words *before*
the Vermont Historical Society ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the resolution, as amended, be
adopted on the part of the House? it was decided in the
affirmative.

Mr. Welch introduced a bill entitled

H. 47. An act for the preservation of fish in Hinesburgh Pond ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, introduced a bill entitled

H. 48. An act to amend section four of chapter nine of the General Statutes, relating to reports of certain officers ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 10. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Benson, for the year 1866 ;

H. 12. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden, for the year 1866 ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 5. An act to legalize the action of the selectmen of Cavendish ;

Reported for a majority of said committee in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred the petition of Sewall Fullam and fifty others, praying for the enactment of a law requiring fences to be erected along highways,

Reported, without expression of opinion on the merits thereof, and recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition ; which leave was thereupon granted.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 7. An act to incorporate the Northfield South Village Slate and Tile Company ;

H. 13. An act to incorporate the Altimont Cornet Band ;

H. 22. An act to incorporate the West Rupert Dairy Association ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 10. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Benson for the year 1866 ;

H. 12. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden for the year 1866 ;

H. 22. An act to incorporate the West Rupert Dairy Association.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the House of Representatives a communication in writing, with accompanying documents.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,
Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Oct. 18, 1866. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR : I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of the General Assembly, a communication from the governor of South Carolina, requesting copies of the statutes, legislative journals and court reports of this State, to replace those destroyed by fire at the capital of South Carolina, in February, 1865. I would recommend that authority be given to the State Librarian to forward such of the desired copies as can be spared from the Library.

I also transmit herewith to the House of Representatives, for the use of the General Assembly, the annual report of the Surgeon General of this State.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

Which communication and accompanying documents were referred to the Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule.

Mr. Prout introduced a bill entitled

H. 49. An act to incorporate the Rutland Missionary Association ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Pease offered the following joint resolution :

In view of the paramount importance of the interests of agriculture in a State so essentially and emphatically agricultural as Vermont, and the great preponderance of tillers of the soil now constituting this body ; and

WHEREAS, The Agricultural College, now in its earliest infancy, deserves and demands the fostering care of the Legislature ; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Vermont, now in session, That Mr. James B. Angell, President of the Vermont Agricultural College, be, and hereby is, invited to address this Legislature, at his earliest convenience, and that the use of the Representatives' Hall be accorded him for that purpose, upon such evening as he shall please to designate ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered the joint resolution from the House, providing for the publication of certain addresses delivered before the Vermont Historical Society ; and have adopted the same in concurrence.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 7. An act to incorporate the Northfield South Village Slate and Tile Company ;

Was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 24. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Vermont and New York Railroad Company," approved November 2, 1865 ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

The hour for the Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Kellogg, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Rounds, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1866.

The House was called to order at four o'clock P. M., by the Clerk.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Before the reading of the journal of Friday, it appearing that no quorum was present,

On motion of Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journals of Friday and Monday severally read and approved.

Mr. Ralph S. Safford presented his credentials as the Representative of the town of Westminster, received the oaths of office, and was thereupon admitted to take his seat in the House.

Mr. Miner offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That at two and one-half o'clock this afternoon, the House of Representatives will proceed to the election,

First, Of a senator in Congress for the full term of six years from the third day of March, 1867 ;

Second, Of a senator to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. Jacob Collamer, viz : until the fourth day of March, 1867 ;

Third, Of a senator to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. Solomon Foot, viz : until the fourth day of March, 1869 ;

And that each member, as his name is called, nominate, *viva voce*, the person he would elect to each of said offices.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted? Mr. Rounds moved to amend by inverting the numeric order of said elections so as that the election secondly mentioned therein should be first held, that the election thirdly mentioned therein should be secondly held, and that the election first mentioned therein should be thirdly held ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the resolution, as amended, be adopted? Mr. Rounds moved further to amend the resolution in line thirteen thereof, by striking therefrom the word "nominate," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *name* ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the resolution, as amended, be adopted? Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, moved to amend the resolution in line one thereof, by striking therefrom the words "two and one-half," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *two* ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the resolution, as amended, be adopted? it was decided in the affirmative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to return to the House of Representatives a bill entitled

H. 12. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden, for the year 1866 ;

Said bill containing no enacting clause, in compliance with part second, section fifteen, of the Constitution of Vermont.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge,

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly ;

To the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Prout,

H. 52. An act in addition to chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, relating to railroads and railroad corporations ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield,

H. 53. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Shedd,

H. 54. An act to pay all substitute soldiers of Vermont the sums herein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Rounds,

H. 55. An act directing the State Treasurer to collect the balance of the State tax due from the county of Washington, on the list of 1865 ;

To the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Spafford,

H. 56. An act to incorporate the Weathersfield and Claremont Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Bartlett, of Morgan,

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Morgan Academy ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham,

H. 58. An act to amend section one, and section seven, of an act incorporating the inhabitants of the first school district in Rockingham, for the purpose therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Carpenter, of Randolph,

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Randolph Hotel Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Parmelee presented the petition of Harvey Munsill and forty-six others, residents of Bristol, praying for an act authorizing the building of a jail, or lock-up, in said town of Bristol, and to authorize certain commitments therein ;

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, presented the petition of H. E. Stoughton and twenty-two others, members of the village corporation of Bellows Falls, praying the General Assembly for amendment of the charter incorporating the inhabitants of the first school district in Rockingham for the purposes therein mentioned ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Education.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered the joint resolutions, to procure the printing of addresses delivered by Senator Edmunds and others ; inviting J. S. Adams, Secretary of the Board of Education, to address the Legislature, and inviting the President of the Vermont Agricultural College to address the Legislature, and have adopted the same in concurrence.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed ;

H. 5. An act to legalize the action of the selectmen of Cavendish ;

H. 13. An act to incorporate the Altimont Cornet Band ;

H. 24. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Vermont and New York Railroad Company," approved November 2, 1865.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Rounds,

H. 60. An act to pay Benjamin H. Dwinnell the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Pierce,

H. 61. An act to incorporate the Rochester Academy ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Park,

H. 62. An act relating to railroads ;

H. 63. An act in addition to an act in amendment of section eighty-four of chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, relating to railroads, approved November 2, 1865 ;

H. 64. An act to authorize the Bennington and Rutland Railroad Company to extend the northern line of their railroad ;

To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge,

H. 65. An act for securing the attendance of children of certain ages, in district schools, and in addition to chapter twenty-two, title thirteen, General Statutes ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Hamilton,

H. 66. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Slate and Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Prout,

H. 67. An act to pay William M. Field the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Miles,

H. 68. An act to incorporate the Hinesburgh Cornet Band ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Walker, of Ludlow,

H. 69. An act to incorporate the Plymouth Gold Mining Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Park, from the select committee raised on so much of the Governor's message as relates to the proposed constitutional amendment, submitted the following report :

To the House of Representatives, now in session :

The select committee raised on so much of the Governor's message as relates to the proposed amendment of the Constitution of the United States, and to whom was referred the joint resolution ratifying said proposed amendment, respectfully report :

That they have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the same be amended by striking out so much of the preamble as precedes the words "Article XIV." and inserting instead thereof, as follows :

Whereas, the Congress of the United States, on the thirteenth day of June, 1866, by joint resolution, proposed to the legislatures of the several states an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, in the words following, viz :

And when so amended, your committee recommend the adoption of said joint resolution on the part of the House.

T. W. PARK, for Committee.

The question being, Shall the joint resolution be amended as recommended by the committee? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the resolution, as amended, be adopted on the part of the House? Mr. Brigham moved that the same be

Ordered to lie, and be made a special order for Friday afternoon next, at half past two o'clock ;

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Brigham presented the petition of A. G. Brush and three hundred and forty-seven others, legal voters of the town of Fairfax, praying the General Assembly to incorporate the Vermont State Eclectic Medical Association ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 34. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to protect fish in Otter Creek," approved November 9, 1865 ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, lines twelve and thirteen, by striking therefrom the words "he or she lives," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *the depredation was committed.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Rounds, from the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 41. An act for the preservation of the records and files pertaining to the war of 1861 for the preservation of the Union ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 25. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Berkshire for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, by adding thereto the following proviso : *Provided, that this act shall not affect any suit now pending which may have arisen an account of any informality in either of said grand lists.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Weston, of Colchester, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

At the hour of two o'clock the Speaker announced that, pursuant to the act of Congress, approved July 25, 1866, and agreeably to the resolution of the House, the House will now proceed to elect a senator in Congress from this State, to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. Jacob Col-lamer, namely, until the fourth day of March, 1867.

Whereupon each member, as his name was called by the Clerk, rose in his place and named

For LUKE P. POLAND,

Allen,
Andrews,
Appleton,
Armstrong,

Ayers,
Baird,
Ball of Granville,
Ball of Springfield,

Barron,
Bartlett of Morgan,
Bartlett of Plainfield,
Barton,
Bemis,
Benson,
Benton of Guildhall,
Benton of Waltham,
Bickford,
Birehard,
Blaisdell,
Bliss,
Bowker,
Bragg,
Brock,
Brown,
Bullard,
Burt,
Burton,
Butterfield,
Buzzell,
Cady,
Cardell,
Carpenter of Pawlet,
Carpenter of Randolph,
Carter,
Chamberlin,
Chandler,
Cheney,
Church,
Clafin,
Clark of Addison,
Clark of Poultney,
Cleveland of Braintree,
Cleveland of Brookfield,
Cobb,
Coffrin,
Coleman,
Converse,
Cook,
Cooper,
Corliss of Richford,
Cristy,
Curtis of Lowell,
Curtis of Somerset,
Dana,
Davis,
Deming,
Drew,
Earle,
Eddy,
Fairman,
Fletcher,
Foster of Calais,
Foster of Montpelier,

Foster of Pownal,
Foster of Shrewsbury,
Foster of Walden,
Freeman,
Gibb,
Gibbs,
Gilson,
Goodsell,
Goss,
Graves of Duxbury,
Gray,
Greenbank,
Griffith,
Grover,
Hale,
Hamilton,
Hard,
Harris,
Herrick,
Hill,
Hinsdell,
Holmes,
Hopkins,
Horton,
Howard,
Hubbard of Stockbridge,
Hubbard of Whiting,
Irish,
Johnson of Mendon,
Johnson of Rockingham,
Jones,
Joslyn,
Judevine,
Kellogg,
Ketcham,
Ladd of Enosburgh,
Ladd of Worcester,
Lamb,
Lane of Cornwall,
Lane of Derby,
Learnard,
Loveland,
Lyon,
Mann,
Marsh,
Martin of Marshfield,
Martin of Montgomery,
Marvin,
Mason of Ira,
Mason of Readsboro,
McClary,
McIntosh,
McQuivey,
Merrifield,
Miles,

Miner,
 Moore,
 Morgan,
 Morse,
 Muzzy,
 Nelson,
 Nichols,
 Noble,
 Nott,
 Nourse,
 Noyes,
 Palmer,
 Park,
 Parker,
 Parmelee,
 Pattee,
 Paul,
 Peake,
 Pease,
 Phillips,
 Pierce,
 Potter,
 Prout,
 Purinton,
 Randall,
 Richardson of Waitsfield,
 Richardson of Westford,
 Roberts,
 Robie,
 Robinson,
 Rogers,
 Root,
 Ross of Brandon,
 Ross of St. Johnsbury,
 Rounds,
 Ruggles,
 Safford,
 Sanborn of Peacham,
 Seavy,
 Shedd of Hardwick,
 Shedd of West Windsor,
 Shepard,
 Sherman,
 Shuffleton,
 Simonds,
 Skinner,
 Slocum,

Smith of Bridport,
 Smith of Ferrisburgh,
 Smith of Guilford,
 Smith of Roxbury,
 Smith of Strafford,
 Snyder,
 Somers,
 Soper,
 Spafford,
 Spaulding,
 SPEAKER,
 Stewrt,
 Stickney,
 Stone,
 Swinington,
 Taft,
 Taylor,
 Tenney,
 Thomas,
 Thompson,
 Tilden,
 Tolman,
 Town,
 Tripp,
 Tryon,
 Van Sicklen,
 Waite,
 Walker of Dummerston,
 Walker of Ludlow,
 Warren,
 Weeks,
 Welch,
 Wells of Athens,
 Wells of Waterbury,
 Weston of Colchester,
 Weston of Essex,
 Wheelock,
 Whitcomb,
 White of Shelburne,
 White of Windsor,
 Whitney of Marlboro,
 Whitney of Wilmington,
 Wiley,
 Willard,
 Wood,
 Woods,
 Wyman—213.

For HENRY KEYES,

Bradley,
 Brigham,
 Bruce,
 Corbin,
 Corliss of Corinth,

Cramton,
 Fitts,
 Gleason,
 Green,
 Hathaway,

Hay,
Martin of Sheldon,
Niles,

Sanborn of Vershire,
Stevens,
Webster—16.

Whereupon the Speaker declared that LUKE P. POLAND had received a majority of the whole number of votes thus cast, and was elected, on the part of the House, a senator in Congress to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. Jacob Collamer, namely, until the fourth day of March, 1867.

The Speaker then announced that, pursuant to said act of Congress, and agreeably to the resolution of the House, the House will now proceed to elect a senator in Congress of the United States from this State, to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. Solomon Foot, namely, until the fourth day of March, 1869.

Whereupon each member, as his name was called by the Clerk, rose in his place and named

For GEORGE F. EDMUNDS,

Allen,
Andrews,
Appleton,
Armstrong,
Ayes,
Baird,
Ball of Granville,
Ball of Springfield,
Barron,
Bartlett of Morgan,
Bartlett of Plainfield,
Barton,
Bemis,
Benson,
Benton of Guildhall,
Benton of Waltham,
Bickford,
Bill,
Birchard,
Blaisdell,
Bliss,
Bowker,
Bragg,
Brock,
Brown,
Bullard,
Burt,
Burton,
Butterfield,
Buzzell,
Cady,
Cardell,

Carpenter of Pawlet,
Carpenter of Randolph,
Carter,
Chamberlin,
Chandler,
Cheney,
Church,
Claffin,
Clark of Addison,
Clark of Poultney,
Cleveland of Braintree,
Cleveland of Brookfield,
Cobb,
Coffin,
Coleman,
Converse,
Cook,
Cooper,
Corliss of Richford,
Cristy,
Curtis of Lowell,
Curtis of Somerset,
Dana,
Davis,
Deming,
Drew,
Earle,
Eddy,
Fairman,
Fletcher,
Foster of Calais,
Foster of Montpelier,

Foster of Pownal,
Foster of Shrewsbury,
Foster of Walden,
Freeman,
Gibb,
Gibbs,
Gilson,
Goodsell,
Goss,
Graves of Kirby,
Gray,
Greenbank,
Griffith,
Grover,
Hale,
Hamilton,
Hard,
Harris,
Herrick,
Hill,
Hinsdell,
Holmes,
Hopkins,
Horton,
Howard,
Hubbard of Stockbridge,
Hubbard of Whiting,
Irish,
Johnson of Mendon,
Johnson of Rockingham,
Jones,
Joslyn,
Judevine,
Kellogg,
Ketcham,
Ladd of Enosburgh,
Ladd of Worcester,
Lamb,
Lane of Cornwall,
Lane of Derby,
Learnard,
Loveland,
Lyon,
Mann,
Marsh,
Martin of Marshfield,
Martin of Montgomery,
Marvin,
Mason of Ira,
Mason of Readsboro,
McClary,
McIntosh,
McQuivey,
Merrifield,
Miles.

Miner,
Moore,
Morgan,
Morse,
Muzzy,
Nelson,
Nichols,
Noble,
Nott,
Nourse,
Noyes,
Palmer,
Park,
Parker,
Parmelee,
Pattee,
Paul,
Peake,
Pease,
Phillips,
Pierce,
Potter,
Prout,
Purinton,
Randall,
Richardson of Waitsfield,
Richardson of Westford,
Roberts,
Robie,
Robinson,
Rogers,
Root,
Ross of Brandon,
Ross of St. Jonsbury,
Rounda,
Ruggles,
Safford,
Sanborn of Peacham,
Seavy,
Shedd of Hardwick,
Shedd of West Windsor,
Shepard,
Sherman,
Shuffleton,
Simonds,
Skinner,
Slocum,
Smith of Bridport,
Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Smith of Guilford,
Smith of Roxbury,
Smith of Strafford,
Snyder,
Somers,
Soper,

Spafford,
 Spaulding,
SPEAKER,
 Stewart,
 Stickney,
 Stone,
 Swinington,
 Taft,
 Taylor,
 Tenney,
 Thomas,
 Thompson,
 Tilden,
 Tolman,
 Town,
 Tripp,
 Tryon,
 Van Sicklen,
 Waite,
 Walker of Dummerston,

Walker of Ludlow,
 Warren,
 Weeks,
 Welch,
 Wells of Athens,
 Wells of Waterbury,
 Weston of Colchester,
 Weston of Essex,
 Wheelock,
 Whitcomb,
 White of Shelburne,
 White of Windsor,
 Whitney of Marlboro,
 Whitney of Wilmington,
 Wiley,
 Willard,
 Wood,
 Woods,
 Wyman—213.

For H. B. SMITH,

Bradley,
 Brigham,
 Corbin,
 Corliss of Corinth,
 Cramton,
 Fitts,
 Gleason,
 Green,

Hathaway,
 Hay,
 Martin of Sheldon,
 Niles,
 Sanborn of Vershire,
 Stevens,
 Webster—15.

For H. G. SMITH,

Mr. Bruce—1.

Whereupon the Speaker declared that GEORGE F. EDMUNDS had received a majority of the whole number of votes thus cast, and was elected, on the part of the House, a senator in Congress from this State, to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. Solomon Foot, namely, until the fourth day of March, 1869.

The Speaker then announced that, pursuant to said act of Congress, and agreeably to the resolution of the House, the House will now proceed to elect a senator in Congress from this State, for the full term of six years from the third day of March, 1867.

Whereupon each member, as his name was called by the Clerk, rose in his place and named

For JUSTIN S. MORRILL,

Allen,
 Andrews,

Appleton,
 Armstrong,

Ayers,
Baird,
Ball of Granville,
Ball of Springfield,
Barron,
Bartlett of Morgan,
Bartlett of Plainfield,
Barton,
Bemis,
Benson,
Benton of Guildhall,
Benton of Waltham,
Bickford,
Bill,
Birchard,
Blaisdell,
Bliss,
Bowker,
Bragg,
Brock,
Brown,
Bullard,
Burt,
Burton,
Butterfield,
Buzzell,
Cady,
Cardell,
Carpenter of Pawlet,
Carpenter of Randolph,
Carter,
Chamberlin,
Chandler,
Cheney,
Church,
Claffin,
Clark of Addison,
Clark of Poultney,
Cleveland of Braintree,
Cleveland of Brookfield,
Cobb,
Coffin,
Coleman,
Converse,
Cook,
Cooper,
Corliss of Richford,
Cristy,
Curtis of Lowell,
Curtis of Somerset,
Dana,
Davis,
Deming,
Drew,
Earle,

Eddy,
Fairman,
Fletcher,
Foster of Calais,
Foster of Montpelier,
Foster of Pownal,
Foster of Shrewsbury,
Foster of Walden,
Freeman,
Gibb,
Gibbs,
Gilson,
Goodsell,
Goss,
Graves of Duxbury,
Gray,
Greenbank,
Griffith,
Grover,
Hale,
Hamilton,
Hard,
Harris,
Herrick,
Hill,
Hinsdell,
Holmes,
Hopkins,
Horton,
Howard,
Hubbard of Stockbridge,
Hubbard of Whiting,
Irish,
Johnson of Mendon,
Johnson of Rockingham,
Jones,
Joslyn,
Judevine,
Kellogg,
Ketcham,
Ladd of Enosburgh,
Ladd of Worcester,
Lamb,
Lane of Cornwall,
Lane of Derby,
Learnard,
Loveland,
Lyon,
Mann,
Marsh,
Martin of Marshfield,
Martin of Montgomery,
Marvin,
Mason of Ira,
Mason of Readsboro,

McClary,
McIntosh,
McQuivey,
Merrifield,
Miles,
Miner,
Moore,
Morgan,
Morse,
Muzzy,
Nelson,
Nichols,
Noble,
Nott,
Nourse,
Noyes,
Palmer,
Park,
Parker,
Parmelee,
Pattee,
Paul,
Peake,
Pease,
Phillips,
Pierce,
Potter,
Prout,
Purinton,
Randall,
Richardson of Waitsfield,
Richardson of Westford,
Roberts,
Robie,
Robinson,
Rogers,
Root,
Ross of Brandon,
Ross of St. Johnsbury,
Rounds,
Ruggles,
Safford,
Sanborn of Peacham,
Seavy,
Shedd of Hardwick,
Shedd of West Windsor,
Shepard,
Sherman,
Shuffleton,
Simonds,

Skinner,
Slocum,
Smith of Bridport,
Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Smith of Guilford,
Smith of Roxbury,
Smith of Strafford,
Snyder,
Somers,
Soper,
Spafford,
Spaulding,
SPEAKER,
Stewart,
Stickney,
Stone,
Swinington,
Taft,
Taylor,
Tenney,
Thomas,
Thompson,
Tilden,
Tolman,
Town,
Tripp,
Tryon,
Van Sicklen,
Waite,
Walker of Dummerston,
Walker of Ludlow,
Warren,
Weeks,
Welch,
Wells of Athens,
Wells of Waterbury,
Weston of Colchester,
Weston of Essex,
Wheelock,
Whitcomb,
White of Shelburne,
White of Windsor,
Whitney of Marlboro,
Whitney of Wilmington,
Wiley,
Willard,
Wood,
Woods,
Wyman—213.

For TIMOTHY P. REDFIELD,

Bradley,
Brigham,
Bruce,

Corbin,
Corliss of Corinth,
Cramton,

Fitts,
Gleason,
Green,
Hathaway,
Hay,

Martin of Sheldon,
Niles,
Sanborn of Vershire,
Stevens,
Webster—16.

Whereupon the Speaker declared that JUSTIN S. MORRILL had received a majority of the whole number of votes thus cast, and was elected, on the part of the House, a senator in Congress from this State, for the full term of six years, from the third day of March, 1867.

Mr. Brigham moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House made a special order for Friday afternoon next, at two and one-half o'clock, the joint resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States; Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the joint resolution be ordered to lie, and be made the special order for Friday afternoon next, at two and one-half o'clock? Mr. Brigham moved to modify the pending motion, so as that said joint resolution be ordered to lie, and be made the special order for Tuesday afternoon next, at two and one-half o'clock;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being then stated, Shall the joint resolution be ordered to lie, and be made the special order for Tuesday afternoon next, at two and one-half o'clock? it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Park, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit:

By Mr. Foster, of Montpelier,

H. 70. An act to change the name of John O'Brien;
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Thompson,

H. 71. An act to extend an act to authorize the removal of obstructions from the Passumpsic River ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Ball, of Granville,

H. 72. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Granville, for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Birchard,

H. 73. An act to legalize the vote of the town meeting of Shoreham, relative to bounties, held March 7th, 1865 ;

To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Hard,

H. 74. An act in amendment of section nine, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, increasing the pay of town school superintendents ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Brigham,

H. 75. An act in amendment of section sixteen, chapter eighty-three, of the General Statutes, entitled "Grand list" ;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

By M. Tolman,

H. 76. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Greensboro ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Baird,

H. 77. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden, for the year 1866 ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Jones,

H. 78. An act in amendment of an act incorporating the Northfield Cemetery Association ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Corbin,

H. 79. An act laying a tax on the county of Grand Isle ;
To a committee consisting of the members from the county of Grand Isle.

By Mr. Rounds,

H. 80. An act to constitute a new county, by the name of Union ;

Which was read the first and second time, and pending the reference thereof,

Mr. Rounds moved that said bill be referred to a select committee of five members.

Mr. Harris moved to modify said motion so that the reference of said bill be made to a select committee, consisting of the members from Windham and Windsor counties.

The question being, Shall the motion to refer the bill as moved by Mr. Rounds, be modified as moved by Mr. Harris? it was decided in the negative.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be referred to a select committee of five members, as moved by Mr. Rounds? it was decided in the affirmative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 2. An act in relation to the earnings of married women, and in addition to chapter seventy-one of the General Statutes ;

S. 4. An act to amend sections eighteen and twenty-six of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes, in relation to the redemption of lands sold for taxes ;

S. 5. An act relating to the rights and liabilities of husband and wife ;

S. 14. An act relating to the statistics of divorce ;

S. 22. An act to incorporate the Providence Orphan Asylum at Burlington ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have unanimously adopted joint resolutions, ratifying amendments of the Constitution of the United States ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Carpenter, of Randolph ;

H. 81. An act to establish a State Normal School ;

To the select committee raised on so much of the Governor's message as relates to the State Normal School.

By Mr. Thompson,

H. 82. An act to incorporate the Passumpsic River and Island Pond Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Miner,

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Manchester Manufacturing Company ;

To the Committee on Manufactures.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 25. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Berkshire, for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

Was read the third time. The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Brigham moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend, by striking out the proviso to section one thereof.

The question being, Shall the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend, as moved by Mr. Brigham? on motion of Mr. Burt, said bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for to-morrow afternoon, at two o'clock.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 34. An act to amend an act entitled, " An act to protect fish in Otter Creek," approved November 9, 1865 ;

Was read the third time and passed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have adopted, on their part, a joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly, to complete the election of United States senators ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly at twelve o'clock, meridian, of this day, October 24, 1866, for the purpose of completing the election of a senator of the United States for the State of Vermont, for the full term of six years from and including the fourth day of March, 1867 ; also, to complete the election of a senator of the United States for the State of Vermont, for the vacancy occasioned by the death of the late Hon. Jacob Collamer ; also, to com-

plete the election of a senator of the United States for the State of Vermont, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the late Hon. Solomon Foot, as required by act of Congress, entitled "An act regulating the times and manner of holding elections for senators in Congress," approved July 25, 1866 ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 41. An act for the preservation of the records and files pertaining to the war of 1861 for the preservation of the Union ;

Was read the third time and passed.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

S. 2. An act in relation to the earnings of married women, and in addition to chapter seventy-one of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 4. An act to amend sections eighteen and twenty-six of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes, in relation to the redemption of lands sold for taxes ;

To the Committee on Land Taxes.

S. 5. An act relating to the rights and liabilities of husband and wife ;

S. 14. An act relating to the statistics of divorce ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 22. An act to incorporate the Providence Orphan Asylum and Hospital of Burlington ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States, on the thirteenth day of June, A. D. 1866, by joint resolution proposed to the legislatures of the several states an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, in the words following, viz :

"ARTICLE 14.

"*Sec. 1.* All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States ; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty or

property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

"*Sec. 2.* Representatives shall be apportioned among the several states according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each state, excluding Indians not taxed. But when the right to vote at any election for the choice of electors for President and Vice President of the United States, representatives in Congress, the executive and judicial officers of a state, or the members of the legislature thereof, is denied to any of the male inhabitants of such state, being twenty-one years of age, and citizens of the United States, or in any way abridged, except for participation in rebellion or other crime, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens twenty-one years of age in such state.

"*Sec. 3.* No person shall be a senator or representative in Congress, or elector of President and Vice President, or hold an office, civil or military, under the United States, or under any state, who, having previously taken an oath, as a member of Congress or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any state legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any state, to support the Constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof. But Congress may, by a vote of two-thirds of each house, remove such disability.

"*Sec. 4.* The validity of the public debt of the United States, authorized by law, including debts incurred for payment of pensions and bounties for service in suppressing insurrection or rebellion, shall not be questioned. But neither the United States nor any state shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for the loss or emancipation of any slave; but all such debts, obligations and claims shall be held illegal and void.

"*Sec. 5.* That Congress shall have power to enforce by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article."

Therefore:—*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*, That the said proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, be and the same is hereby ratified by the Legislature of the State of Vermont.

Was read, and the question being, Shall the resolution be

adopted in concurrence? on motion of Mr. Clark, of Poultny, said resolution was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for Tuesday afternoon next, at half past two o'clock.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 3. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Hardwick, for the year 1864 ;

H. 43. An act to protect fish in Hall's Pond ;

H. 47. An act for the preservation of fish in Hinesburgh Pond ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 15. An act in amendment of section fourteen, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by adding to the title thereof the following : *relating to the time of examining teachers of common schools.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Rounds introduced a bill entitled

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred, on motion of Mr. Rounds, to the Committee on Claims.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : The Senate have considered House bill entitled

H. 22. An act to incorporate the West Rupert Dairy Association ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 66. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Slate and Marble Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. White, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 17. An act to incorporate the Peru Boot and Shoe Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by inserting after the title thereof an enacting clause as provided by the Constitution of Vermont ; also, by adding to section six the following words : *and if, at any time, the indebtedness of said corporation shall exceed that amount, the directors and stockholders of said corporation shall be personally liable to the creditors of said corporation for such excess ;* also, by adding to section seven the following words : *and shall be subject to the provisions of chapter eighty-six of the General Statutes.*

The questions being severally put upon agreeing to the amendments recommended by said committee, and the House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. White, from the same committee to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Randolph Hotel Company ;

H. 69. An act to incorporate the Plymouth Gold Mining Company ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Benton, of Guildhall, introduced a bill entitled

H. 85.- An act to amend "An act to incorporate the Mount Mansfield Railroad Company," approved October 28, 1865 ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Roads.

Mr. Pierce, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 4. An act to incorporate the Cambridge Mount Mansfield Turnpike Road Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended, in section one, line eight, by striking therefrom the word "ten," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *six* ; also, in section three, line thirteen, by inserting after the word "subscribed," the words, *and if the indebtedness of said corpo-*

ration, shall at any time exceed one-half of the capital stock actually paid in, the directors and stockholders shall be personally liable for such excess to the creditors of said corporation; also, in section five, by striking out all of said section after the word "built," in line nine thereof.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

At twelve o'clock, meridian, the hour fixed by the act of Congress approved July 25, 1866, for the convening of the two Houses, in Joint Assembly, for the election of senators in the Congress of the United States, and agreeably to a joint resolution of the two Houses, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

By direction of the President of the Joint Assembly, the joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly at this hour was read by George Nichols, Esq., Secretary of State.

Whereupon the President directed that so much of the Journals of the House of Representatives and the Senate, of Tuesday last, as relates to the election of a senator in the Congress of the United States from this State, for the full term of six years from the third day of March, A. D. 1867, be then read by the Clerk of the House and Secretary of the Senate, respectively.

The Journals of each House were then read, and it appearing that JUSTIN S. MORRILL had received a majority of all the votes cast for that office in each House respectively, the President thereupon declared that he was duly elected a senator in the Congress of the United States from this State, for the full term of six years from the fourth day of March, 1867.

The President then directed that so much of said Journals as relates to the election of a senator in the Congress of the United States from this State, to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. Jacob Collamer, namely, until the fourth day March, 1867, be read in like manner.

Whereupon each Journal was respectively read, as aforesaid, and it appearing that the HON. LUKE P. POLAND had received a majority of all the votes cast for that office, the President thereupon declared that he was duly elected a senator in the Congress of the United States from this State, to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. Jacob Collamer, namely, until the fourth day of March, 1867.

The President then directed that so much of said Journals as relates to the election of a senator in the Congress of the United States from this State, to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. Solomon Foot, namely, until the fourth day of March, 1869, be read in like manner.

Whereupon each Journal was respectively read, as aforesaid, and it appearing that the HON. GEORGE F. EDMUNDS had received a majority of all the votes cast in both Houses for that office, the President thereupon declared that he was duly elected a senator in the Congress of the United States from this State, to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. Solomon Foot, viz: until the fourth day of March, 1869.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Clark, of Poultney, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have considered

H. 7. An act to incorporate the Northfield South Village Slate and Tile Company;

H. 19. An act for the preservation of shad and whitefish in Lake Champlain and its tributaries;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have also passed a bill entitled

S. 17. An act repealing certain sections of the General Statutes, relating to the election of senators to represent this State in the Congress of the United States;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Senate bill entitled

S. 17. An act repealing certain sections of the General Statutes, relating to the election of senators to represent this State in the Congress of the United States;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Roberts introduced a bill entitled

H. 86. An act in amendment of section two of chapter one hundred and eighteen of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against public health ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred the petition of L. R. Eaton and seventy others, praying for a grant of the exclusive right of wharf and ferry to Moses Knowlton ;

Reported, recommending the passage of a bill entitled

H. 87. An act granting a ferry to Moses Knowlton ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, presented the petition of Chester Pratt and four others, citizens of Bridport and Weybridge, praying for the annexation of part of the town of Bridport to the town of Weybridge ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Town Lines.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Herrick,

H. 88. An act to incorporate the Prospect Hill Aqueduct Company ;

By Mr. Hamilton,

H. 89. An act in amendment to an act entitled " An act to incorporate the village of Fairhaven " ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Taylor,

H. 90. An act in amendment of an act approved October 27, 1865, entitled " An act to continue and regulate the pay of grand and petit jurors " ;

By Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield,

H. 91. An act construing section five of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes, in relation to estates of homestead.

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Skinner,

H. 92. An act to pay Norman Fowler the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Weeks,

H. 93. An act altering the name of Walter Herbert Dunmore ;

By Mr. Bruce,

H. 94. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodbury, for the year 1866 ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Hill,

H. 95. An act to incorporate the Starksboro Copper Mining Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield,

H. 96. An act in addition to chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes, in relation to guardians and wards ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Rounds presented the petition of Nathaniel Fullerton and three hundred and seven others, citizens of Chester, praying for the formation of a new county, to be called Union County ;

Which was read, and referred to the select committee raised on that subject.

Mr. Cheney offered the following joint resolutions :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That, whereas, the political leaders of the late wicked and unprovoked conspiracy and rebellion, which resulted in the death of so many of our bravest and best citizens, bringing sorrow and mourning to so many hearts and homes, and in disabling of thousands of others, not only by wounds received in battle, and by the casualties and exposure necessarily resulting from a protracted, fierce and bloody war, but also by starvation and suffering induced by abuse and robbery, and inhuman, indecent and barbarous treatment while prisoners of war in the enemy's camp and hospital, having signally failed in their attempt to subvert our Government and destroy our nationality by military force, are now with hands so lately red with the blood of our murdered sons and brothers, and loaded with the quadruple infamy of conspiracy, perjury, treason and murder, striving to regain the positions of trust

and responsibility which by their perfidious treason they forfeited and abandoned ;

And, whereas, the aforesaid political leaders of the rebellious states, sustained by the patronage and influence of the chief Executive of the United States, and by those citizens of the loyal states whose sympathy has strangely been and still continues to be with them, are endeavoring to inaugurate a policy of reconstruction for those states which will not only restore to political equality the aforesaid conspirators and traitors, unwashed and unrepenting of their crimes, but will give them an increased representation in our national councils, thereby rewarding treason by an increase of political power ;

And, whereas, a lamentable antagonism is known to exist between the Congress and the Executive branch of the General Government in regard to the said policy of reconstruction ;

And, whereas, the tone and sentiment of most of the leading public journals of those states, and the treatment received by the steadfast friends of the Government, is such as to evince a strong feeling of disloyalty, and a determination that the affairs of the said rebellious states as well as the General Government shall be controlled by its bitter and persistent enemies ;

Therefore, with no feeling of malice or animosity toward the people of those states, but rather with abiding love for the people of all the states, yet with profound contempt for the corrupt course of the political leaders aforesaid, and believing, beyond a doubt, that we share this sentiment with every strictly loyal citizen in the land, it is but the dictate of patriotism, prudence and charity, and an enduring regard for the best interests of this Republic and the people of every state thereof, that the people of every state and territory of the United States, through their respective legislatures, immediately and earnestly declare—and the Legislature of Vermont does so declare—a determination to stand by the thirty-ninth Congress in its endeavors to disenthral the people of those states, and of all the states, from the domination of those political intriguers and tricksters, whose audacious insolence in demanding the unjust and partial conditions of re-admission and representation advocated by the chief Executive, is equaled only by the blackness of their political record in the past.

And be it further resolved, That Vermont, through her Legislature, invites an early expression of the sentiments of all her sister states, and the territories of the United States, on the policy of re-construction of the rebellious states, and that number of copies of this resolution be printed for the use of the Assembly; and that the Clerk of the House of Representatives be directed to transmit one copy to the governor of each state and territory of the United States, with a respectful request that each will make a like declaration of sentiment through their respective legislatures;

Which were read, and the question being, Shall the resolutions be adopted on the part of the House? Mr. Rounds moved that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Miner moved to modify the pending motion so that the reference of the resolutions be made to the Committee on Military Affairs;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the resolutions be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs? it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit:

By Mr. Foster, of Montpelier,

H. 97. An act to authorize the removal of obstructions from Onion river and its tributaries;

By Mr. Prout,

H. 98. An act in addition to chapter seventy of the General Statutes, relating to divorce;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Miles,

H. 99. An act to incorporate the Valley Cheese Manufacturing Company of Hinesburgh, Vt. ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Herrick,

H. 100. An act in addition to section twenty-five of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes of Vermont, relating to the attachment of property by copy ;

By Mr. Parmelee,

H. 101. An act to authorize the town of Bristol to build a jail ;

By Mr. Prout,

H. 102. An act in addition to chapter one hundred and twelve of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against the lives and persons of individuals ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Ross, of Brandon,

H. 103. An act to incorporate the Sudbury Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Purinton,

H. 104. An act changing the boundary line between the towns of Lincoln and Warren ;

On motion of Mr. Cardell, to a select committee of five members of the House.

Mr. Smith, of Bridport, presented the remonstrance of Ebenezer Allen and one hundred and seventy-five others, citizens of Bridport, against the alteration of the present line between said town of Bridport and the town of Weybridge ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Town Lines.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered

H. 24. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Vermont and New York Railroad Company," approved November 2, 1865 ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have adopted a joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly to hear the report of the Canvassing Committee ; also

A joint resolution granting the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives to the Vermont Historical Society ;
In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Friday, the 26th instant, at three o'clock in the afternoon, to hear the report of the committee appointed to canvass the votes for county and probate officers, and, if necessary, to complete the election of said officers ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Joint resolution from the Senate as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the use of the Hall of the House be granted to the Vermont Historical Society, on Friday evening, October 26th, to hear an address on Vermont, by Rev. Wm. H. Lord ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Prout,

H. 105. An act to incorporate the American Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Bartlett, of Morgan,

H. 106. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Morgan for the years 1865 and 1866 ;

By Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury,

H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont ;

To the General Committee.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 3. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Hardwick for the year 1864 ;

H. 4. An act to incorporate the Cambridge Mount Mansfield Turnpike Road Company ;

H. 15. An act in amendment of section fourteen, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes ;

H. 17. An act to incorporate the Peru Boot and Shoe Company ;

H. 43. An act to protect fish in Hall's Pond ;

H. 47. An act for the preservation of fish in Hinesburgh Pond ;

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Randolph Hotel Company ;

H. 66. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Slate and Marble Company ;

H. 69. An act to incorporate the Plymouth Gold Mining Company ;

H. 87. An act granting a ferry to Moses Knowlton.

Mr. Shuffleton, from the Committee on Manufactures to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 39. An act to incorporate the Bennington Water Power Company ;

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Manchester Manufacturing Company ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 32. An act in addition to the twenty-second chapter of the General Statutes ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Andrews offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved, that the Senate and House of Representatives tender a vote of thanks to the Honorable Senators, for their very able addresses, delivered to us on the evening of the 24th instant ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Goss offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to vote for, and use their influence for the repeal of the law of the last session giving them two thousand dollars a year extra pay ;

Which was read, and the question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Harris, said resolution was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for to-morrow morning, at eleven o'clock.

Mr. Rounds introduced a bill entitled

H. 50. An act to establish courts of insolvency, and to provide for the equal distribution of the effects of insolvent debtors ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following select committees :

On House bill entitled

H. 80. An act to constitute a new county by the name of Union :

Mr. Ross of St. Johnsbury,

“ Clark of Poultney,

“ Welch,

“ Thomas,

“ Martin.

On so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Vermont Reform School :

Mr. Dunn,

“ Hubbard of Stockbridge,

“ Herrick,

“ Carpenter of Pawlet,

“ White.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, asked for and had excuse from service upon the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 80. An act to constitute a new county by the name of Union.

Mr. Martin, of Montgomery, introduced a bill entitled

H. 108. An act to pay Giles M. Carpenter the sum therein named ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Ross, of Brandon, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 25. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Berkshire for the years 1864, 1865, and 1866 ;

Was taken up as a special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend, in section one, by striking out the proviso thereof, as moved by Mr. Brigham? it was decided in the affirmative; whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Brigham as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the House of Representatives a communication in writing, with an accompanying document.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,

Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Oct. 25, 1866. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR : I have the honor to transmit herewith the annual report of the Adjutant and Inspector General of this State.

This report, like the former ones from the same officer, is full and satisfactory, abounding with exact and valuable information, which makes perfect the history of each man's services in the late war.

I take occasion to call your attention especially to that portion of the present report relating to the organized militia, and to commend to your favorable action so much of it as recommends the restoration of regimental parade and drill. Without this the organization will become lifeless, and its efficiency will be totally destroyed.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

Which communication and accompanying document, on motion of Mr. Prout, were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 72. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Granville for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 76. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Greensboro ;

H. 77. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden for the year 1866 ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred the petition of D. C. Bascom and fifty-six others, for extending the time for the prohibition of killing muskrats,

Reported a bill entitled

H. 109. An act to prevent the destruction of muskrats ;

Which was read the first time, and the question being, Shall the bill be read the second time ? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred the petition of D. C. Bascomb and fifty-six others, for extending the time for the prohibition of killing minks,

Reported a bill entitled

H. 110. An act to extend the time for the prohibition of killing minks ;

Which was read the first time, and the question being, Shall the bill be read the second time ? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 68. An act to incorporate the Hinesburgh Cornet Band ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section four, by adding thereto the following words : *and if, at any time, the indebtedness of said corporation shall exceed the amount aforesaid, the stockholders and directors shall be personally liable for such excess to creditors of said company.*

The question being, Shall the bill be amended as recommended by the committee? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the bill as amended be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr Clark, of Poultney, moved to amend in section four, line four, by striking therefrom the word "Compiled," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *General*;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. White, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 49. An act to incorporate the Rutland Missionary Association;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Corbin, from the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 79. An act laying a tax on the county of Grand Isle;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line five, by inserting after the words "one thousand," the words *eight hundred*; also, that section four, line four, be amended by striking therefrom the name "John McGregor," and inserting in lieu thereof the name *Barber W. Reynolds*.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. White, from the same committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 3. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Iron Works;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. White, from the same committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 22. An act to incorporate the Providence Orphan Asylum and Hospital at Burlington;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time, and the question being, Shall the bill pass in concurrence? on motion of Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Pease introduced a bill entitled

H. 111. An act altering, amending and repealing certain sections of the Revised Statutes, relating to the grand list;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee to make up the Grand List.

The joint resolutions from the Senate, relating to the decease of the late United States senators, Jacob Collamer and Solomon Foot, were taken up as a special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the resolutions be adopted in concurrence? it was unanimously decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Miner, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following named members to constitute the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 104. An act changing the boundary line between the towns of Lincoln and Warren, to wit:

Mr. Mason of Readsboro,

“ Taylor,

“ Shedd,

“ Soper,

“ Mann.

He also announced the appointment of Mr. Parker to fill the vacancy in the special committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 80. An act to constitute a new county, by the name of Union.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Grover,

H. 112. An act construing and amending the listing laws of this State ;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

By Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury,

H. 113. An act in amendment of section one of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Newbury Medicinal Spring Company" ; approved November 11, 1862 ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Phillips,

H. 114. An act in amendment of section one of an act entitled, "An act in relation to common schools," approved November 2, 1860 ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Ball, of Springfield,

H. 115. An act to incorporate Springfield Village ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Bullard,

H. 116. An act to incorporate the Burlington District Education Aid Society ;

By Mr. Herrick,

H. 117. An act in amendment of sections two and three of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to registry and return of births, marriages and deaths ;

To the Committee on Education.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 35. An act to pay the register of the probate court for the district of Rutland, the sum therein named ;

Reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommending that said bill be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary ;

Whereupon the discharge asked was granted, and the reference of said bill made to the Committee on the Judiciary, as recommended.

Mr. Burt, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 27. An act to pay Norman Millington the sum therein named ;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 32. An act in addition to the twenty-second chapter of the General Statutes;

Was read the third time. The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Miner moved that the same be committed to a member with instructions to amend the title thereof, by adding thereto the words, *in relation to the duties of town superintendents of schools*;

Which motion was agreed to; and thereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Miner as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 39. An act to incorporate the Bennington Water Power Company;

H. 49. An act to incorporate the Rutland Missionary Association;

H. 72. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Granville for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866;

H. 76. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Greensboro;

H. 77. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden for the year 1866;

H. 79. An act laying a tax on the county of Grand Isle;

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Manchester Manufacturing Company;

H. 68. An act to incorporate the Hinesburgh Cornet Band.

Mr. Pierce, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 82. An act to incorporate the Passumpsic River and Island Pond Railroad Company;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Prout, from the committee, on the part of the House, under the Fourth Joint Rule to whom was referred a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, transmitting

the report of the Quartermaster General, and to whom, also, was referred the communication of his Excellency, the Governor, transmitting the report of the Surgeon General,

Reported, that in the opinion of said committee, no legislation on the matters communicated is necessary, and asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof;

Whereupon the discharge asked was granted.

Mr. Prout, from the same committee to whom was referred a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, transmitting also a communication from the governor of South Carolina,

Reported, recommending the adoption of the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Librarian be directed to furnish and forward to Theodore Stark, Esq., librarian for the state of South Carolina, at Columbia, for the use of the state of South Carolina, copies of the statutes of this State, legislative journals, law reports, and such other documents as can be spared from the Library ;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Parker, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 6. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Essex County Railroad Company," approved November 1, 1864 ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Webster presented the petition of F. C. Kennedy and thirty-three others, citizens of Winooski, praying the General Assembly for an act changing the rates of toll of grain mills ;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Parker presented the petition of L. D. Ainsworth and one hundred and forty-five others, citizens of the State of Vermont, praying the General Assembly for a similar enactment ;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, presented the petition of V. Lawrence and one hundred others, praying the General Assembly to repeal the act entitled "An act to protect fish in Otter Creek," approved November 9, 1865 ;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Parker introduced a bill entitled

H. 118. An act in amendment of section seventy of chapter thirty-one of the General Statutes, relating to appeals ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The joint resolution requesting members in Congress from this State to use their influence to effect a repeal of the law of Congress, appropriating to the members thereof an increased compensation ;

Was taken up as a special order for this time. The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Miner, the same was

Ordered to lie.

On motion of Mr. Hathaway, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time, and passed :

H. 6. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Essex County Railroad Company," approved November 1, 1864 ;

H. 82. An act to incorporate the Passumpsic River and Island Pond Railroad Company.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :

To the House of Representatives, now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report, that they this day duly examined the following bills, and have presented the same to the Governor for his approval :

H. 22. An act to incorporate the West Rupert Dairy Association :

H. 7. An act to incorporate the Northfield South Village Slate and Tile Company ;

H. 19. An act for the preservation of shad and white-fish in Lake Champlain and its tributaries.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

Mr. Prout introduced a bill entitled

H. 119. An act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the Village of Rutland, approved November 9, 1865 ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Prout, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 23. An act in amendment of sections thirty-three and thirty-five of chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow morning.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, Senate bill entitled

S. 22. An act to incorporate the Providence Orphan Asylum and Hospital of Burlington ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill pass in concurrence? on motion of Mr. Prout, said bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for Monday afternoon next at three o'clock.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 17. An act repealing certain sections of the General Statutes, relating to the election of senators to represent this State in the Congress of the United States ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury,

H. 120. An act to incorporate the Montpelier and St. Johnsbury Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Root,

H. 121. An act for the relief of Charles W. Bickford ;

To the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Purinton presented the petition of William W. Pope and twenty-eight others, citizens of Lincoln, praying for the annexation of a part of the town of Lincoln to the town of Warren ;

Which was referred to the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 104. An act changing the boundary line between the towns of Lincoln and Warren.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills entitled

H. 4. An act to incorporate the Cambridge Mount Mansfield Turnpike Road Company ;

H. 5. An act to legalize the action of the selectmen of the town of Cavendish ;

H. 10. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Benson for the year 1866 ;

H. 13. An act to incorporate the Altimont Cornet Band ;

H. 41. An act for the preservation of the records and files pertaining to the war of 1861 for the preservation of the Union ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have passed bills entitled

S. 16. An act in amendment of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, and relating to the appraisal of land taken for highways ;

S. 20. An act to incorporate the Neshobee Marble Company ;

S. 31. An act to incorporate the King Farm Slate Company ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have passed a joint resolution tendering thanks to our senators and representatives in Congress ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the thanks of the two Houses are hereby tendered to the Hon. Luke P. Poland and the Hon. George F. Edmunds, senators in Congress from this State, and to the Hon. Justin S. Morrill and the Hon. Frederick E. Woodbridge, representatives in Congress from this State, for their

very able and exhaustive addresses to the two Houses upon the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, delivered in response to a joint resolution, adopted October 12, 1866 ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

S. 16. An act in amendment of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, and relating to the appraisal of land taken for highways ;

To the Committee on Roads.

S. 20. An act to incorporate the Neshobee Marble Company ;

S. 31. An act to incorporate the King Farm Slate Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 44. An act relating to highways and bridges ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 53. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time on Monday morning next.

On motion of Mr. Miles, the vote whereby was passed House bill entitled

H. 68. An act to incorporate the Hinesburgh Cornet Band ;

Was reconsidered, and the question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Clark, of Poultney, moved that the same be committed to a member with instructions to amend, in section four, line three, by striking therefrom the word "three," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *six* ;

Which motion was agreed to ; whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Clark, of Poultney, as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Clerk of the House and Secretary of the Senate be directed to procure to be printed, for the use of the General Assembly, one thousand copies of the oration delivered on the evening of October 25, by Col. Wheelock G. Veazey, before the Vermont Re-union Society of Vermont Officers ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

The hour for the Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Root, the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Brigham offered the following joint resolution :

WHEREAS, It is most desirable that the union of all the states should become perfect at the earliest moment consistent with the peace and welfare of the nation, that every state should become fully represented in the national councils, and take its share in the legislation of the country ;

And whereas, the possession and exercise of more than its just share of power by any section is injurious, and its tendency is distracting and demoralizing, as well to that section as to all others ; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That if the southern states lately in insurrection will adopt, in order to terminate our national difficulties, the amend-

ment to the Constitution of the United States proposed by Congress to the legislatures of the several states on the 13th day of June, 1866, no further condition should be required to entitle said southern states to be immediately and fully represented in the national councils, except that their representatives be loyal men ;

Which was read. The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Miner, the same was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for Wednesday afternoon next, at half past two o'clock.

Mr. Prout, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 1. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill entitled

H. 122. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;

Which was read the first and second time, and the question being, Shall the bill be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Brigham moved that said bill be

Ordered to lie ;

Which motion was agreed to.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the House of Representatives, of the following titles, viz :

H. 7. An act to incorporate the Northfield South Village Slate and Tile Company ;

H. 19. An act for the preservation of shad and whitefish in Lake Champlain and its tributaries ;

H. 22. An act to incorporate the West Rupert Dairy Association.

Mr. Prout, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 52. An act in addition to chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, relating to railroads and railroad corporations ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time on Monday afternoon next.

Mr. Wells, of Waterbury, from the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 54. An act to pay all substitute soldiers of Vermont the sums herein mentioned ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Prout, from the committee on the part of the House, under the Fourth Joint Rule, to whom was referred a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, transmitting the annual report of the Sergeant-at-Arms,

Reported, recommending the passage of House bill entitled

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time on Monday afternoon next.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 61. An act to incorporate the Rochester Academy ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 23. An act in amendment of sections thirty-three and thirty-five of chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes ;

Was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, introduced a bill entitled

H. 124. An act relating to the right of flowage ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 84.. An act to pay certain State officers ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, by inserting in the blank following the name, Peter T. Washburn, the words *two thousand* ; also, in same section by inserting in the blank following the name, Perley P. Pitkin, the words *two thousand*.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill as amended was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Parker, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 29. An act to incorporate the Cambridge Boro' Park Association ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 18. An act in addition to an act incorporating the Poultney Cemetery Association ;

H. 103. An act to incorporate the Sudbury Marble Company ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Prout, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 58. An act to amend section one, and section seven, of an act incorporating the inhabitants of the first school district in Rockingham, for the purpose therein mentioned ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 16. An act in amendment of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, and relating to the appraisal of land taken for highways ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line four, by striking therefrom the figure "3," and inserting in lieu thereof the figure 2.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment.

Mr. Tenney, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 9. An act in amendment of section nine, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time on Monday afternoon next.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report:
To the House of Representatives now in session:

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have this day duly examined the following bills, and have presented the same to the Governor for his approval:

H. 4. An act to incorporate the Cambridge Mount Mansfield Turnpike Road Company;

H. 5. An act to legalize the action of the selectmen of the town of Cavendish;

H. 10. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Benson for the year 1866;

H. 13. An act to incorporate the Altimont Cornet Band;

H. 41. An act for the preservation of the records and files pertaining to the war of 1861 for the preservation of the Union.

AMHERST LAMB, for the Committee.

Mr. Prout offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to procure printed, for the use of the General Assembly, five hundred copies of the report of the Quartermaster General;

Which was read and adopted.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 61. An act to incorporate the Rochester Academy;

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers;

H. 103. An act to incorporate the Sudbury Marble Company.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit:

By Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham,

H. 125. An act in amendment of sections one and six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, entitled "Of common schools and school laws";

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Phillips,

H. 126. An act for the preservation of fish in the waters therein named;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Cristy,

H. 127. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to organize the militia";

To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury,

H. 128. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia;

To a special committee of the members from Caledonia county.

By Mr. Shuffleton,

H. 129. An act to amend chapter thirty-one of the General Statutes, in relation to the jurisdiction and duties of justices of the peace in criminal cases;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. 130. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Sunderland;

To the General Committee.

Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Rev. Dr. Nahum P. Foster, of Montpelier, Chaplain of the House of Representatives, be invited to address the General Assembly, in the Representatives' Hall, at some time during the present session, to be by him designated, upon scenes and incidents connected with his travels in Palestine;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Bullard moved that the House do now adjourn;

Which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Phillips presented the petition of C. M. Willard and one hundred and twenty-six others, citizens of the towns of Castleton and Hubbardton, praying for further legislation to prevent the taking of fish from Lake Bombazine;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That when this House adjourn, it adjourn to meet on Monday afternoon next, at two o'clock;

Which was read, and the adoption thereof refused.

Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, moved that the vote whereby was passed House bill entitled

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers;

Be reconsidered.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, moved that said motion be ordered to lie;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the vote whereby was passed said bill, be reconsidered? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? on motion of Mr. Harris, said bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for Wednesday afternoon next at three o'clock.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Auditor of Accounts, as follows:

AUDITOR'S OFFICE,
Montpelier, Oct. 26, 1866. }

To the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

The undersigned, Auditor of Accounts, respectfully reports:

That the Treasurer going out of office, the Treasurer for the time being, and the Auditor of Accounts and Inspector of Finance, have duly adjusted and struck the balance of the account of the Hon. John B. Page, the Treasurer going out of office, of all moneys by him received and paid out for the use of the State, since his last settlement with the Auditor of Accounts, September 10, 1866, and up to October 18, 1866, and that the Treasurer going out of office has paid to his successor the balance found against him, and has delivered all books of account, memorandum or registry, all bonds, bills, notes, obligations, contracts, securities, and all other instruments or papers appertaining or relating to the Treasurer's department.

A statement of the account of the late Treasurer of his receipts and disbursements for the period above mentioned is annexed.

DUGALD STEWART,
Auditor of Accounts.

(For Statement see Appendix.)

On motion of Mr. Benton, of Guildhall, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1866. .

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of Saturday read and approved.

Mr. Armstrong offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That a joint committee, consisting of two senators and three representatives, be appointed by the presiding officers of the two Houses respectively, for the purpose of fixing upon the earliest day, practicable with the necessary business of the session, for a final adjournment of the General Assembly ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Grover moved that the vote, whereby the House adopted said resolution, be reconsidered ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the resolution be adopted ?

Mr. Grover moved to amend said resolution in line one, by inserting after the word "the," the words *Senate and* ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House ? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Prout offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly, on Wednesday, the 31st day of October next, at eleven o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing a chief Judge of the Supreme Court, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Luke P. Poland ; and also, to elect five assistant Judges of the Supreme Court, to fill vacancies in said offices until the first day of December next ;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 18. An act in addition to an act incorporating the Poultney Cemetery Association ;

H. 58. An act to amend section one and section seven, of an act incorporating the inhabitants of the first school district in Rockingham, for the purpose therein mentioned.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Spaulding,

H. 131. An act to incorporate the Weston Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Gilson,

H. 132. An act for the repeal of an act entitled " An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled 'Grand list' " ;

(On motion of Mr. Gilson, to the Committee to make up the Grand List.

By Mr. Shuffleton,

H. 133. An act to pay Herbert W. Mattison the sum therein named ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield,

H. 134. An act regulating the fees of persons acting under the authority of the probate court, and in amendment of section fifty of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Walker, of Ludlow,

H. 135. An act to pay James A. Pollard, the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, presented the petition of J. W. Carpenter and three others, praying for amendment of chapter seventy-eight of the General Statutes, relating to rates of toll in milling ;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 53. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;
Was read the third time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass? on motion of Mr. Prout, the same was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Parmelee, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, presented the petition of W. A. Tewksbury and eighty-seven others, citizens of Newbury, praying for an act to protect fish in Hall's Pond in Newbury;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Ross, of St Johnsbury, introduced a bill entitled
H. 136. An act to protect the fish in Hall's Pond in Newbury;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House;

Was read the third time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass? on motion of Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 9. An act in amendment of section nine of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes;

Was read the third time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved that the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend in section one, by adding thereto the following words: *whatever the number of terms of such school kept during the year*;

Which motion was agreed to. Whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 52. An act in addition to chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, relating to railroads and railroad corporations;

Was read the third time and passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Bartlett, of Plainfield,

H. 137. An act to change the name of Harriett Skinner to Harriett Gladding ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Randall,

H. 138. An act to amend an act entitled " An act to organize the militia ; "

To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Blaisdell,

H. 139. An act to authorize the listers of the town of Fletcher, to correct the list of said town for the year 1866, and to legalize the taxes assessed on the list of said town for the years 1865 and 1866 ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Marsh,

H. 140. An act fixing the salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have considered the joint resolution from the House, providing for the printing of Col. Veazey's oration before the Vermont Re-union Society of Vermont Officers,

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

Senate bill entitled

S. 22. An act to incorporate the Providence Orphan Asylum and Hospital at Burlington ;

Was taken up, as a special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass in concurrence ? Mr. Prout moved that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill in section one, by adding thereto the following words : *Provided, that the property which may be hereafter required by said corporation as aforesaid, shall be used and appropriated for the maintenance and education of the children that may be under the care of said corporation, its officers and agents.*

Also, in section three, line four, by striking therefrom the words, " of Chittenden for the time being," and inserting in

lieu thereof the words, *in which said child or its parent or parents or guardian lived*; and in line twenty-four by inserting after the word "out" the words, *but such child shall not be bound out to any person residing without this State by said corporation, or removed from the jurisdiction thereof without the consent of said probate court obtained on publication of notice to all persons interested, for three weeks, to appear before said court and show cause why such consent should not be given, the last publication of which notice shall be at least two weeks before the hearing of said application by said court.*

Also, by inserting after section three the following sections :

Sec. 4. The probate court for the district in which such child, its parents or guardians, lived as aforesaid, may upon the application of such parent, guardian, next friend, or relative, remove and release such child from the care and custody of said corporation, its officers and agents, and terminate the relation between such child and said corporation, and annul said contract of apprenticeship, or service, and which may arise and be entered into under the provisions of this act, whenever it shall be made to appear to said court that it would be proper and for the interest of such child; and in that case said court may appoint a guardian for such child as now provided by law in case of the removal or resignation of a guardian if such child has no father living.

Sec. 5. Said corporation shall have a clerk and treasurer who shall reside in this State, and who shall keep their offices, papers and records in the city of Burlington, in this State, and whose clerk shall also have the custody of its by-laws, which shall at all proper times be exhibited and shown to the parent, relative or friend of such child, his or her agent or attorney, on demand, and who shall also make and give certified copies thereof when required, on reasonable compensation therefor being tendered to such clerk, or other officer of such corporation in his absence.

Also, by adding to said bill the following :

Sec. 6. This act shall be under the control of the Legislature, to alter, amend or repeal the same, as the public good may require.

The question being, Will the House propose to the Sen-

ate to amend the bill as moved by Mr. Prout? Mr. Prout moved that said bill be

• *Ordered to lie.*

Mr. Armstrong moved that the pending motion to lie be modified so as that the Clerk be directed to procure to be printed said bill, and the proposed amendments offered by Mr. Prout;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to lie, and the clerk be directed to procure printed the bill and proposed amendments? it was decided in the affirmative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have adopted on their part, a joint resolution granting the use of the Representatives' Hall to J. D. Foote, Esq.,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be tendered to J. D. Foote, Esq., of New York, on Tuesday evening, the 30th instant, to present the claims of homeless and destitute children;

Was read, and the adoption thereof refused.

Mr. Smith, of Ferrisburgh, moved that the House do now adjourn;

Which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Sherman moved that the vote whereby the House refused to adopt in concurrence the joint resolution, granting the use of the Representatives' Hall to J. D. Foote, Esq., be reconsidered.

Mr. Brigham moved that said motion be ordered to lie;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the vote whereby the House refused to adopt in concurrence the joint resolution granting the use of the Representatives' Hall to J. D. Foote, Esq., be reconsidered? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question recurring, Shall said resolution pass in concurrence? it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Andrews, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Brigham offered the following joint resolution :

WHEREAS, James Lynch and John McMahon, citizens of the United States, have been recently convicted in a Canadian court, and sentenced to death, upon a charge that they were parties in an attack made in the month of June, A. D. 1866, at Fort Erie, in the province of Canada ; and

WHEREAS, Other citizens of the United States are held for trial upon charges for similar offenses against the Canadian government ; and

WHEREAS, We believe that if the lives of the persons charged and convicted, could be spared, through the humane and generous action of the Canadian government, it would do more to allay the animosity felt toward the English government by the countrymen of said Lynch and McMahon, and to secure immunity against further aggressions, than a rigid execution of the law ; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That we, prompted by the same benevolent spirit which has moved the government and statesmen of Great Britain to apply for clemency, in behalf of their subjects under similar circumstances, to the United States Government, in no unfriendly spirit, most earnestly recommend tenderness, amnesty and forgiveness on the part of the Canadian government, toward the persons charged and convicted.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be instructed to forward a copy of these resolutions to the governor general of the Canadian provinces.

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed a bill entitled

S. 53. An act in addition to chapter eighty-nine of the General Statutes, relating to banks ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Butterfield,

H. 141. An act to incorporate the Cambridgeport Quarrying and Manufacturing Company ;

To the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Spaulding,

H. 142. An act to incorporate the Weston Hotel Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Welch,

H. 143. An act directing listers to notify persons when assessed for money on hand, debts due, stock in trade or manufactures ;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

By Mr. Benton, of Guildhall,

H. 144. An act in relation to powers and duties of high bailiffs ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Nott,

H. 145. An act to authorize the town of Sharon to purchase the water privilege and dam across White River, or aid in completing the dam ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Wells, of Waterbury,

H. 146. An act to pay Milo C. Stewart the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Purinton presented the petition of William Grant and thirty others, and of Ira W. Wakefield and forty-four others, citizens of Lincoln, praying for the annexation of a part of said town to the town of Warren,

Which was referred to the select committee raised on that subject.

Senate bill entitled

S. 53. An act in addition to chapter eighty-nine of the General Statutes, relating to banks ;

Was read the third time, and referred to the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Wheelock, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 37. An act to amend section eighty-three, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, relating to the division of public money among school districts ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking therefrom section one, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: *The one-third part of the proceeds of the tax assessed by the selectmen, with the income of any town appropriated to the use of schools, and all sums raised by the vote of the town for such use, shall, annually, on the first Tuesday of April, be divided by the selectmen of such town between the several common school districts in such town, equally, without regard to the number of scholars such districts may contain; and the remainder shall be divided between such districts, including also any union district, so called, in such town, in proportion to the whole number of days' attendance of the scholars of such districts between the ages of four and twenty, upon the common schools in such districts during the preceding school year. And the whole number of days' attendance shall be ascertained from the record thereof, to be kept in the registers of such schools, as is prescribed in this chapter, by adding together the number of days of actual attendance of each legal scholar, as shown by the register, and the same shall be paid over, under the direction of the selectmen, to the several treasurers of such districts.*

The question being, Shall the amendment recommended by the committee be agreed to? Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, moved to modify the amendment recommended by the committee, by striking out in section one, lines five and six of the original bill, the words, "to be made on the aggregate attendance," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: *Of that part of the school money which is divided upon the scholar, shall be divided upon an average found as follows: In districts where schools shall have been taught twenty-four weeks, of five and one-half days to the week, or one hundred and thirty-two days, or more, the average to be obtained as the law now requires; and in districts where schools shall be taught for a less time, the average shall be found by dividing the aggregate days' attendance by one hundred and thirty-two.*

The question being, Shall the amendment recommended

by the committee be modified, as moved by Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield? Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, moved that the bill be

Ordered to lie, and that the Clerk be directed to procure printed the amendment recommended by the committee, and the proposed modification thereof, moved by Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield;

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Bullard, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 65. An act securing the attendance of children of certain ages, on district schools, and in addition to chapter twenty-two, title thirteen, General Statutes;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 53. An act in relation to the qualifications of voters; Was taken up as a special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Prout moved that the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend in section one, by adding thereto the following words: *Provided, that any such deserter or person who returned to the military or naval service of the United States, within the time limited in the proclamation of the President of the United States, or who has been pardoned therefor, shall have the right to vote, if not otherwise disqualified by law;*

Which motion was agreed to. Whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Prout as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend, by adding thereto, as follows:

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage;

Which motion was agreed to. Whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, as the member to whom said bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 118. An act in amendment of section seventy of chapter thirty-one of the General Statutes, relating to appeals;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Tenney, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 116. An act to incorporate the Burlington District Educational Aid Society;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by inserting therein, preceding section one, an enacting clause, as required by the Constitution, to wit: *It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont.*

Also, in section one, line sixteen, by inserting after the word "purchase," the words, *to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 90. An act in amendment of an act approved October 27, 1865, entitled "An act to continue and regulate the pay of grand and petit jurors";

H. 91. An act construing section five of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes, in relation to estates of homestead;

Reported in favor of their passage; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have considered the following joint resolutions:

A joint resolution relating to final adjournment; also

A joint resolution directing the Librarian to furnish documents to the librarian for the state of South Carolina; also

A joint resolution inviting the Rev. Dr. Foster to address the General Assembly ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered a joint resolution for a Joint Assembly to elect Judges of the Supreme Court for filling vacancies,

And have adopted the same in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have considered House bills entitled .

H. 15. An act in amendment of section fourteen, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, relating to the time of examining teachers of common schools ;

H. 34. An act to amend an act entitled, " An act to protect fish in Otter Creek," approved November 9, 1865 ;

H. 43. An act to protect fish in Hall's Pond ;

H. 47. An act for the preservation of fish in Hinesburgh Pond ;

H. 66. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Slate and Marble Company ;

H. 87. An act granting a ferry to Moses Knowlton ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have also considered

H. 69. An act to incorporate the Plymouth Gold Mining Company ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 7. An act to amend section sixty-one, chapter eighty-nine, of the General Statutes ;

S. 19. An act to amend section two, chapter seventy-seven, of the General Statutes, relating to the standard weight of grain ;

S. 28. An act authorizing the Mount Mansfield Hotel Company to issue bonds ;

S. 29. An act to protect fish in Hermitage Pond in Topsham ;

S. 34. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro Melodeon Company ;

S. 35. An act to incorporate the Vermont and Boston Slate Company ;

S. 52. An act to incorporate the Lake Bombazine Slate and Marble Company ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

On motion of Mr. Prout, Senate bill entitled

S. 22. An act to incorporate the Providence Orphan Asylum and Hospital at Burlington ;

Was taken up.

The question being, Will the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill as moved by Mr. Prout? Mr. Prout moved to modify his proposed amendments by adding to the proviso proposed to be annexed to section one of the original bill, the following words : *and for the support of a hospital for the sick and infirm ;*

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Will the house propose to the Senate to amend the bill as moved by Mr. Prout? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was passed in concurrence, with proposals of amendment.

On motion of Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, House bill entitled

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House ;

Was taken up.

The question being, Shall the bill pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 7. An act to amend section sixty-one, chapter eighty-nine, of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on Banks.

S. 19. An act to amend section two of chapter seventy-seven of the General Statutes, relating to the standard weight of grain ;

To the General Committee.

S. 28. An act authorizing the Mount Mansfield Hotel Company to issue bonds ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 29. An act to protect fish in Hermitage Pond in Topsham ;

To the General Committee.

S. 34. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro Melodeon Company ;

To the Committee on Manufactures.

S. 35. An act to incorporate the Vermont and Boston Slate Company ;

S. 52. An act to incorporate the Lake Bombazine Slate and Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bill entitled

H. 69. An act to incorporate the Plymouth Gold Mining Company ;

And concurred therein.

On motion of Mr. Hathaway, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House considered the Senate proposal of amendment to the joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly for the election of Judges of the Supreme Court,

And concurred therein.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the House, of the following titles :

H. 4. An act to incorporate the Cambridge Mount Mansfield Turnpike Road Company ;

H. 5. An act to legalize the action of the selectmen of the town of Cavendish ;

H. 10. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Benson for the year 1866 ;

H. 13. An act to incorporate the Altimont Cornet Band ;

H. 41. An act for the preservation of the records and files pertaining to the war of 1861 for the preservation of the Union.

Mr. Moore presented the petition of Albert Dodge and twelve others, legal voters of the town of Chelsea, praying

for an act to incorporate the Vermont State Eclectic Medical Association ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Prout,

H. 147. An act to pay Luther L. Durant the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

H. 148. An act to incorporate the Powers Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Weston, of Essex,

H. 149. An act to legalize certain proceedings of the town of Essex ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Park,

H. 150. An act relating to operating railroads in this State ;

To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Prout,

H. 151. An act to incorporate the Leicester Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Lane, of Cornwall,

H. 152. An act to amend section fifty of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, in relation to the grand list ;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

By Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham,

H. 153. An act to encourage manufactures ;

To the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Butterfield presented the petition of F. Daniels and fifty-four others, citizens of the town of Grafton, praying for an act to constitute a new county by the name of Union ;

Which was referred to the select committee raised on that subject.

Mr. Burton presented the petition of George W. Stickney and one hundred and fifty-two others, citizens of Andover, praying for a like enactment ;

Which was referred to the same committee.

Mr. Spaulding presented the petition of John Wilder and

seventy-three others, citizens of Weston, praying for a like enactment ;

Which was referred to the same committee.

The joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States, on the 13th day of June, A. D. 1866, by joint resolution, proposed to the legislatures of the several states, an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, in the words following, viz :

ARTICLE 14.

Sec. 1. All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States ; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

Sec. 2. Representatives shall be apportioned among the several states according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each state, excluding Indians not taxed. But when the right to vote at any election for the choice of electors for President and Vice President of the United States, representatives in Congress, the executive and judicial officers of a state, or the members of the legislature thereof, is denied to any of the male inhabitants of such state, being twenty-one years of age, and citizens of the United States, or in any way abridged, except for participation in rebellion or other crime, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens twenty-one years of age in such state.

Sec. 3. No person shall be a senator or representative in Congress, or elector of President and Vice President, or hold an office, civil or military, under the United States or under any state, who, having previously taken an oath as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any state legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any state, to support the Constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the ene-

mies thereof. But Congress may, by a vote of two-thirds of each house, remove such disability.

Sec. 4. The validity of the public debt of the United States, authorized by law, including debts incurred for payment of pensions and bounties for service in suppressing insurrection or rebellion, shall not be questioned. But neither the United States nor any state shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for the loss or emancipation of any slave; but all such debts, obligations and claims shall be held illegal and void.

Sec. 5. That Congress shall have power to enforce by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article. Therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the said proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, be and the same is hereby ratified by the Legislature of the State of Vermont.

Was taken up for consideration, it being the special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted in concurrence? it was decided in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Ball, of Springfield, were taken, and are as follows :

Those gentlemen who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Allen,
Andrews,
Appleton,
Armstrong,
Ayres,
Baird,
Ball of Granville,
Ball of Springfield,
Bartlett of Morgan,
Bartlett of Plainfield,
Barton,
Bemis,
Benson,
Benton of Guildhall,
Benton of Waltham,
Bickford,
Bill,
Birchard,
Blaisdell,
Bliss,
Bowker,
Bragg,
Brown,
Bullard,
Burt,
Burton,
Butterfield,
Buzzell,
Cady,
Carpenter of Pawlet,
Carpenter of Randolph,

Carter,
Chamberlin,
Chandler,
Cheney,
Church,
Claffin,
Clark of Addison,
Clark of Poultney,
Cleveland of Braintree,
Cleveland of Brookfield,
Cobb,
Coleman,
Converse,
Cook,
Cooper,
Corfiss of Richford,
Cristy,
Curtis of Lowell,
Curtis of Somerset,
Dana,
Davis,
Deming,
Drew,
Dunn,
Earle,
Eddy,
Fairman,
Fletcher,
Foster of Calais,
Foster of Montpelier,
Foster of Pownal,

Foster of Shrewsbury,
Foster of Walden,
Freeman,
Gibb,
Gibbs,
Gilson,
Goss,
Graves of Duxbury,
Gray,
Griffith,
Grover,
Hale,
Harris,
Herrick,
Hill,
Hinsdell,
Holmes,
Hopkins,
Horton,
Howard,
Hubbard of Stockbridge,
Hubbard of Whiting,
Irish,
Johnson of Mendon,
Johnson of Rockingham,
Jones,
Joslyn,
Judevine,
Kellogg,
Ladd of Enosburgh,
Ladd of Worcester,

Lamb,
Lane of Cornwall,
Lane of Derby,
Leland,
Loveland,
Lyon,
Mann,
Marsh,
Martin of Montgomery,
Mason of Ira,
Mason of Readsboro,
McClary,
McIntosh,
McQuivey,
Merrifield,
Miles,
Miner,
Moore,
Morgan,
Morse,
Muzzy,
Nelson,
Nichols,
Noble,
Nott,
Nourse,
Noyes,
Palmer,
Park,
Parker,
Farnelee,
Fattee,
Paul,
Peake,
Pease,

Phillips,
Pierce,
Potter,
Prout,
Purinton,
Randall,
Richardson of Waitsfield,
Richardson of Westford,
Roberts,
Robie,
Robinson,
Rogers,
Root,
Ross of Brandon,
Ross of St. Johnsbury,
Rounds,
Sanborn of Peacham,
Seavy,
Shedd of Hardwick,
Shedd of West Windsor,
Shepard,
Sherman,
Shuffleton,
Simonds,
Skinner,
Slocum,
Smith of Bridport,
Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Smith of Guilford,
Smith of Roxbury,
Somers,
Soper,
Spafford,
Spaulding,

SPEAKER,
Stewart,
Stickney,
Stone,
Swinington,
Taylor,
Teaney,
Thompson,
Tilden,
Tolman,
Town,
Tripp,
Tryon,
Van Sicken,
Waite,
Walker of Dummerston,
Walker of Ludlow,
Warren,
Weeks,
Welch,
Wells of Athens,
Wells of Waterbury,
Weston of Colchester,
Weston of Essex,
Wheelock,
Whitcomb,
White of Shelburne,
Whitney of Marlboro,
Whitney of Wilmington,
Wiley,
Willard,
Wood,
Woods,
Wyman—196.

Those gentlemen who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bradley,
Brigham,
Corliss of Corinth,
Fitts,

Gleason,
Green,
Hathaway,
Hay,

Martin of Sheldon,
Stevens,
Webster—11.

So said resolution was adopted in concurrence.

The joint resolution, offered by Mr. Rounds, ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of United States, was taken up as a special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Miner, said resolution was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 55. An act directing the State Treasurer to collect the balance of the State tax, due from the county of Washington, on the list of 1865 ;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill entitled

H. 154. An act instructing the Committee to make up the Grand List to correct the grand list of the county of Washington for the year 1865, and for other purposes ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 116. An act to incorporate the Burlington District Educational Aid Society ;

Was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Burt, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

The following named members, not having been within the bar of the House on yesterday, at the taking of the vote whereby was adopted in concurrence the joint resolution from the Senate, ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, were, by unanimous consent, allowed to record their votes in the affirmative on the adoption of said resolution, to wit :

Mr. Barron,
 “ Brock,
 “ Hard,
 “ Ketcham,
 “ Marvin,
 “ Thomas.

Mr. Bullard moved that the Clerk be directed to request the Senate to return to the possession of the House, House bill entitled

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House ;
 Which motion was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed a bill entitled

S. 68. An act in relation to the election of a member of Congress from the third congressional district ;

. In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Senate bill entitled

S. 68. An act in relation to the election of a member of Congress from the third congressional district ;

Was read the first and second time, and, pending a reference thereof, Mr. Miner moved to suspend the rules of the House so that this bill may have its third reading at the present time ;

Which motion was agreed to ; whereupon said bill was read the third time at this time, and passed in concurrence.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 90. An act in amendment of an act, approved October 27, 1865, entitled "An act to continue and regulate the pay of grand and petit jurors " ;

H. 91. An act construing section five of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes, in relation to estates of homestead.

Mr. Davis presented the petition of David Arnold and one hundred and sixty others, citizens of Londonderry, praying for an act to constitute a new county by the name of Union ;

Mr. Ball, of Springfield, presented the petition of A. L. Thompson and one hundred and sixty-four others, citizens of Springfield, praying for a like enactment ;

Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, presented the petition of J. B. Divoll and forty-five others, citizens of Rockingham, praying for a like enactment ;

Which said petitions were severally referred to the select committee raised on that subject.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to return to the House of Representatives House bill entitled

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House ;
Agreeably to a request of the House.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, introduced a bill entitled

H. 155. An act constituting Henry Clinton Conant heir of Henry C. and Huldah P. Hunt ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Jones introduced a bill entitled

H. 156. An act to incorporate the Granville Vermont Lumber Company;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Bullard moved that the vote whereby was passed House bill entitled

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House;
Be reconsidered;

Which motion was agreed to.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Smith of Ferrisburgh, were taken, and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Allen,	Foster of Pownal,	Parmelee,
Armstrong,	Foster of Shrewsbury,	Peake,
Ayres,	Foster of Walden,	Pease,
Bartlett of Morgan,	Freeman,	Phillips,
Barton,	Gibbs,	Purinton,
Benson,	Gleason,	Randall,
Benton of Waltham,	Goss,	Roberts,
Birchard,	Graves of Duxbury,	Robinson,
Blaisdell,	Gray,	Rogers,
Bowker,	Green,	Sanborn of Peacham,
Bradley,	Griffith,	Shuffleton,
Bullard,	Hard,	Slocum,
Burton,	Harris,	Smith of Bridport,
Buzzell,	Hay,	Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Carpenter of Pawlet,	Herrick,	Smith of Guilford,
Carpenter of Randolph,	Hill,	Smith of Roxbury,
Carter,	Hinsdell,	Snyder,
Chamberlin,	Hopkins,	Somers,
Chandler,	Horton,	Spafford,
Cheney,	Hubbard of Stockbridge,	Spaulding,
Church,	Hubbard of Whiting,	Stevens,
Clark of Addison,	Irish,	Stewart,
Cleveland of Braintree,	Judevine,	Stickney,
Cleveland of Brookfield,	Kellogg,	Swinington,
Cobb,	Ketcham,	Taylor,
Converse,	Ladd of Enosburgh,	Thomas,
Cooper,	Lamb,	Tolman,
Corbin,	Martin of Montgomery,	Town,
Corlies of Corinth,	Martin of Sheldon,	Tripp,
Cramton,	Marvin,	Weeks,
Curtis of Somerset,	Mason of Readsboro,	Wells of Athens,
Dana,	McIntosh,	Weston of Colchester,
Deming,	McQuivey,	Weston of Essex,
Drew,	Muzzy,	White of Shelburne,
Dunn,	Nichols,	Whitney of Wilmington,
Eddy,	Noble,	Wiley,
Fairman,	Nourse,	Wood,
Fitts,	Noyes,	Woods.—114.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Andrews,	Bickford,	Bruce,
Appleton,	Bill,	Burt,
Baird,	Bliss,	Butterfield,
Ball of Springfield,	Bragg,	Cady,
Bartlett of Plainfield,	Brigham,	Clafin,
Bemis,	Brock,	Clark of Poultney,
Benton of Guildhall,	Brown,	Cook,

Corliss of Richford,
Curtis of Lowell,
Davis,
Earle,
Fletcher,
Foster of Calais,
Foster of Montpelier,
Gibb,
Gilson,
Grover,
Hale,
Hathaway,
Holmes,
Howard,
Johnson of Mendon,
Johnson of Rockingham,
Jones,
Joslyn,
Ladd of Worcester,
Lane of Cornwall,
Lane of Derby,
Leland,
Loveland,
Lyon,
Mann,
Marsh,
McClary,

Merrifield,
Miles,
Miner,
Moore,
Morgan,
Morse,
Nelson,
Nott,
Palmer,
Park,
Parker,
Pattee,
Paul,
Pierce,
Potter,
Prout,
Richardson of Waitsfield,
Richardson of Westford,
Robie,
Root,
Ross of Brandon,
Ross of St. Johnsbury,
Rounds,
Ruggles,
Seavy,
Shedd of Hardwick,
Shedd of West Windsor,

Shepard,
Sherman,
Simonds,
Skinner,
Smith of Strafford,
Soper,
Stone,
Taft,
Tenney,
Thompson,
Tilden,
Tryon,
Tucker,
Van Sicklen,
Waite,
Walker of Dummerston,
Walker of Ludlow,
Warren,
Webster,
Welch,
Wells of Waterbury,
Wheelock,
Whitcomb,
Whitney of Marlboro,
Willard,
Wyman.—101.

So the vote passing, said bill was reconsidered.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Burt moved that the bill be referred to a select committee of one member from each county of the State.

The hour for the Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

The House resumed the consideration of House bill entitled

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House.

The question being, Shall the bill be referred to a select committee to consist of one member from each county of the State, as moved by Mr. Burt? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Pease moved that the select committee to whom was referred said bill, (H. 123,) be instructed to invite proposals from the citizens of Montpelier for the use of the water, and also invite them to unite in their deliberations;

Which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall presented the petition of Henry Lane and ten others, members of the House of Representatives, praying for the repeal of an act of the General Assembly, passed at the annual session, 1865, prohibiting the taking of fish from Otter Creek;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Roberts, from the Committee on the State Prison to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 2. An act changing the manner of appointing superintendent and chaplain of the State Prison, and regulating salary of the chaplain;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 105. An act to incorporate the American Marble Company;

H. 113. An act in amendment of section one of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Newbury Medicinal Spring Company"; approved November 11, 1862;

H. 131. An act to incorporate the Weston Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company;

H. 142. An act to incorporate the Weston Hotel Company;

H. 148. An act to incorporate the Powers Marble Company;

H. 151. An act to incorporate the Leicester Marble Company;

Reported in favor of their passage; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Grover, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 119. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act to incorporate the village of Rutland, approved November 9, 1865";

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by inserting, preceding section one, an enacting clause, as required by the Constitution, to wit: *It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont,*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Grover, from the same committee to whom were referred Senate bills entitled

S. 20. An act to incorporate the Neshobee Marble Company;

S. 31. An act to incorporate the King Farm Slate and Tile Company;

S. 35. An act to incorporate the Vermont and Boston Slate Company ;

S. 52. An act to incorporate the Lake Bombazine Slate and Marble Company ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Rounds, from the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 73. An act to legalize the vote of the town meeting of Shoreham, relative to bounties, held March 7th, 1865 ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, lines ten, eleven, twelve and thirteen, by striking therefrom the words, "lay a tax to defray such expenses, to wit : the amount of eighteen hundred and sixty-two dollars and fifty cents," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words : *pay the cost of said substitutes out of any money in the treasury of said town not otherwise appropriated.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Morgan Academy ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Dunn, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 74. An act in amendment of section nine, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, increasing the pay of town school superintendents ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Tenney, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 117. An act in amendment of sections two and three of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to registry and return of births, marriages and deaths ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one by adding thereto the following words : *And that the word "February," in the second line, be stricken out, and the word "January" be inserted.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 56. An act to incorporate the Weathersfield and Claremont Railroad Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended, by inserting after section eight, an additional section as follows :

Sec. 9. The Weathersfield and Claremont Railroad Company may have the right to cross the track or present surveyed line of the Eastern Vermont Railroad Company, or such track as they may hereafter construct, or such line as they may hereafter survey, and to run their engines or cars across such track or line of said Eastern Vermont Railroad Company, upon such terms as may be first agreed upon, in writing, between Weathersfield and Claremont Railroad Company, and the said Eastern Vermont Railroad Company, or their respective managers, and not otherwise.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, introduced a bill entitled

H. 157. An act in relation to witnesses ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Ball, of Springfield, presented the petition of Edmund Lockwood and thirty-five others, citizens of Springfield, praying for an act to constitute a new county by the name of Union ;

Which was referred to the select committee raised on that subject.

On motion of Mr Wyman, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Butterfield, from the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 138. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to organize the militia" ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 5. An act relating to the rights and liabilities of husband and wife ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Brigham, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 100. An act in addition to section twenty-five of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes of Vermont, relating to the attachment of property by copy ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 102. An act in addition to chapter one hundred and twelve of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against the lives and persons of individuals ;

H. 154. An act instructing the Committee to make up the Grand List to correct the list of the county of Washington for the year 1865, and for other purposes.

Mr. Rounds moved that the vote whereby the House refused the engrossment and third reading of House bill entitled

H. 65. An act securing the attendance of children of certain ages, on district schools, and in addition to chapter twenty-two, title thirteen, General Statutes ;

Be reconsidered.

The question being, Shall the vote refusing the engrossment and third reading of the bill be reconsidered ? on motion of Mr. Rounds, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Weston, of Colchester, introduced a bill entitled

H. 158. An act to incorporate the village of Winooski ;
Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Weston, of Colchester, presented the petition of F. C. Kennedy and one hundred and fifty others, legal voters of the town of Colchester, praying for an act to incorporate the village of Winooski ;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following named members to constitute the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House ;

Mr. Burt,
 " Deming,
 " Armstrong,
 " Nelson,
 " Richardson,
 " Pattee,
 " Irish,
 " Bragg,
 " Cleveland of Braintree,
 " Somers,
 " Tryon,
 " Shepard,
 " Muzzy,
 " Skinner.

Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, from the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 36. An act laying a tax on the county of Orange ;
 Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was
Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bill entitled

H. 82. An act to incorporate the Passumpsic River and Island Pond Railroad Company ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 71. An act to extend an act to authorize the removal of obstructions from the Passumpsic River ;

H. 106. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Morgan for the years 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 130. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Sunderland;

Reported in favor of their passage; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill

H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section four, line one, by inserting after the word "trout," the words *or lunge*;

Also, in section five, line four, by inserting in the blank therein, the word *five*;

Also, in line five, by inserting in the blank therein the words *one hundred*;

Also, in line six, by inserting before the word "days," the word *ten*, and by inserting after the word "than," the words *three months*;

Which amendments, recommended by the committee, were severally agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Miner moved to amend in section four, by adding thereto the following words: *and provided that any person may take trout by a hook and line, in the months of June, July and August*;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was

Ordered to be read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

The joint resolution, offered by Mr. Brigham, relating to the southern states lately in insurrection, was taken up as a special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? Mr. Miner moved to amend, by striking out all after the word "whereas," in the preamble, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

That, whereas, a portion of the states in this republic, without cause or provocation, seceded from the union, and for four years waged a cruel and relentless war upon the government, and sought every means in their power to over-

throw and destroy it, committing more wrongs upon humanity than were ever before committed by any civilized nation, refusing to submit to the laws till they were fully conquered and subdued by the force of arms; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That before those states are admitted to representation in Congress, "they should not only be repentant, but should show fruits meet for repentance." They should willingly adopt the amendment to the constitution, proposed by Congress on the 13th day of June last; they should elect men who are now, and always have been, true and loyal to the general government, and who should come representing a loyal constituency. When they do this, members from the rebel states should be admitted to seats in Congress;

Which motion was agreed to—yeas, 192; nays, 12.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Ball of Granville, were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Allen,	Cook,	Judevine,
Andrews,	Cooper,	Kellogg,
Appleton,	Corliss of Richford,	Ketcham,
Armstrong,	Cristy,	Ladd of Enosburgh,
Ayres,	Curtis of Lowell,	Ladd of Worcester,
Baird,	Curtis of Somerset,	Lamb,
Ball of Granville,	Dana,	Lane of Cornwall,
Ball of Springfield,	Davis,	Lane of Derby,
Barron,	Deming,	Leland,
Bartlett of Morgan,	Drew,	Loveland,
Bartlett of Plainfield,	Dunn,	Lyon,
Barton,	Earle,	Mann,
Bemis,	Eddy,	Mann,
Benson,	Fairman,	Marsh,
Benton of Guildhall,	Fletcher,	Martin of Montgomery,
Benton of Waltham,	Foster of Calais,	Marvin,
Bickford,	Foster of Montpelier,	Mason of Ira,
Birchard,	Foster of Pownal,	Mason of Read-boro,
Blaisdell,	Foster of Shrewsbury,	McClary,
Bliss,	Foster of Walden,	McIntosh,
Bowker,	Freeman,	Merrifield,
Bragg,	Gibb,	Miles,
Brock,	Gibbs,	Miner,
Brown,	Gilson,	Moore,
Bullard,	Goss,	Morgan,
Burt,	Graves of Duxbury,	Morse,
Burton,	Griffith,	Muzzy,
Buzzell,	Grover,	Nelson,
Cady,	Hale,	Nichols,
Cardell,	Hard,	Noble,
Carpenter of Pawlet,	Harris,	Nott,
Carpenter of Randolph,	Herrick,	Nourse,
Carter,	Hill,	Noyes,
Chamberlin,	Hinsdell,	Palmer,
Chandler,	Holmes,	Parker,
Cheney,	Hopkins,	Parmelee,
Church,	Horton,	Pattee,
Claffin,	Howard,	Paul,
Clark of Addison,	Hubbard of Stockbridge,	Peake,
Clark of Poultney,	Hubbard of Whiting,	Pease,
Cleveland of Braintree,	Johnson of Mendon,	Phillips,
Cobb,	Johnson of Rockingham,	Pierce,
Coleman,	Jones,	Potter,
Converse,	Joslyn,	Prout,
		Purinton,

Randall,
Richardson of Waitsfield,
Richardson of Westford,
Roberts,
Robie,
Robinson,
Rogers,
Root,
Ross of Brandon,
Ross of St. Johnsbury,
Rounds,
Ruggles,
Sanborn of Peacham,
Seavy,
Shedd of Hardwick,
Shedd of West Windsor,
Shepard,
Sherman,
Simonds,
Smith of Bridport,

Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Smith of Guilford,
Smith of Roxbury,
Somers,
Soper,
Spafford,
Spaulding,
Stewart,
Stickney,
Stone,
Taft,
Taylor,
Tenney,
Thomas,
Thompson,
Tilden,
Tolman,
Town,
Tripp,
Tryon,

Tucker,
Van Sicklen,
Waite,
Walker of Dummerston,
Walker of Ludlow,
Warren,
Weeks,
Welch,
Wells of Athens,
Wells of Waterbury,
Wheelock,
Whitcomb,
White of Shelburne,
Whitney of Marlboro,
Whitney of Wilmington,
Wiley,
Willard,
Wood,
Woods,
Wyman—192.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Bradley,
Brigham,
Bruce,
Corbin,

Corliss of Corinth,
Cramton,
Fitts,
Gleason,

Green,
Hathaway,
Martin of Sheldon,
Stevens—12.

So the motion to amend the resolution, as moved by Mr. Miner, was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the resolution, as amended, be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Miner, the resolution was

Ordered to lie.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :

To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have this day duly examined the following bills, and have presented them to the Governor for his approval :

H. 15. An act in amendment of section fourteen, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, relating to the time of examining teachers of common schools ;

H. 34. An act to amend an act entitled " An act to protect fish in Otter Creek," approved November 9, 1865 ;

H. 43. An act to protect fish in Hall's Pond ;

H. 47. An act for the preservation of fish in Hinesburgh Pond ;

H. 66. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Slate and Marble Company ;

H. 87. An act granting a ferry to Moser Knowlton.

AMHERST LAMB, for the Committee.

Mr. Shuffleton, from the Committee on Manufactures to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 141. An act to incorporate the Cambridgeport Quarrying and Manufacturing Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 94. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodbury for the year 1866 ;

H. 139. An act to authorize the listers of the town of Fletcher, to correct the list of said town for the year 1866, and to legalize the taxes assessed on the list of said town for the years 1865 and 1866 ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally •

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bill entitled

H. 82. An act to incorporate the Passumpsic River and Island Pond Railroad Company ;

And concurred therein.

Mr. Shuffleton, from the Committee on Manufactures to to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 34. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro Melodeon Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon said bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers ;

Was taken up as a special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass ? on motion of Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, the bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved, the Senate concurring, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to purchase for the use of the State House, of the publisher's agent, Captain Sidney M. Southard, an artist's proof of Carpenter's National Picture, "The first reading of the Emancipation Proclamation by President Lincoln" ;

Which was read.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House ? Mr. Butterfield moved that said

resolution be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means ;
Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Pease offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Vermont, That upon the adoption or rejection of the present pending amendment to the Constitution of the United States, our delegation in Congress be requested to propose to that body an additional amendment, securing the immediate return to the union of all the states, then refused admission by their disloyalty, upon condition of their making suffrage impartial ;

Which was read, and the question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Butterfield, said resolution was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the House, of the following titles :

H. 15. An act in amendment of section fourteen, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, relating to the time of examining teachers of common schools ;

H. 34. An act to amend an act entitled, " An act to protect fish in Otter Creek," approved November 9, 1865 ;

H. 43. An act to protect fish in Hall's Pond ;

H. 47. An act for the preservation of fish in Hinesburgh Pond ;

H. 66. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Slate and Marble Company ;

H. 87. An act granting a ferry to Moses Knowlton.

I am also directed by the Governor to deliver to the House of Representatives a communication in writing, with an accompanying document.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,

Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Nov. 1, 1866. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR : I have the honor to transmit herewith the First Annual Report of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

(For Report, see Appendix.)

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Governor be requested and empowered to constitute the State Geologist of Vermont, Albert D. Hager, A. M., of Proctorsville, a commissioner to attend the Universal Exposition of Paris the ensuing year, in behalf of and for the State of Vermont ;

Which was read, considered, and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Wells, of Waterbury, offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That both Houses meet in Joint Assembly, Friday, November 2d, at half past two o'clock, P. M., to elect a brigadier general, for the first brigade Vermont militia ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. White, of Shelburne, presented the petition of E. Meech and eleven others, praying the General Assembly to enact a law increasing the rates of toll in milling ;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Ross, of Brandon,

H. 159. An act changing the name of George Orville Foskett to George Orville Ford ;

To the General Committee.

- By Mr. Hamilton,
H. 160. An act to incorporate the Allen Kerosene Oil Safe Company ;
To the Committee on Manufactures.
- By Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham,
H. 161. An act to pay James H. Phelps the sum therein mentioned ;
To the Committee on Claims.
- By Mr. Prout,
H. 162. An act to incorporate the American Slate Company ;
To the Committee on Corporations.
- By Mr. Thompson,
H. 163. An act relating to the qualification of voters ;
- By Mr. Slocum,
H. 164. An act to provide for the drainage of peat, muck and marl beds ;
To the Committee on the Judiciary.
- By Mr. Nott,
H. 165. An act to encourage wheat growing in Vermont ;
To the Committee on Agriculture.
- By Mr. Herrick,
H. 166. An act to amend section twelve of chapter sixteen, of the General Statutes, relating to fire districts ;
To the Committee on the Judiciary.
- By Mr. Wheelock,
H. 167. An act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of district schools in certain cases ;
To the Committee on Education.
- By Mr. Walker, of Ludlow,
H. 168. An act to incorporate the Eureka Marble Company ;
- By Mr. Gilson,
H. 169. An act to incorporate the Rutland County Peat Company ;
To the Committee on Corporations.
- By Mr. Pease,
H. 170. An act in addition to and amendment of chapter eighty-three, title twenty-six, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of assessment and collection of taxes" ;

On motion of Mr. Miner, to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

- H. 36. An act laying a tax on the county of Orange ;
- H. 56. An act to incorporate the Weathersfield and Claremont Railroad Company ;
- H. 57. An act to incorporate the Morgan Academy ;
- H. 71. An act to extend an act to authorize the removal of obstructions from Passumpsic River ;
- H. 73. An act to legalize the vote of the town meeting of Shoreham, relative to bounties, held March 7, 1865 ;
- H. 94. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodbury for the year 1866 ;
- H. 105. An act to incorporate the American Marble Company ;
- H. 106. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Morgan for the years 1865 and 1866 ;
- H. 113. An act in amendment of section one of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Newbury Medicinal Spring Company," approved November 11, 1862 ;
- H. 119. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act to incorporate the Village of Rutland, approved November 9, 1865" ;
- H. 130. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Sunderland ;
- H. 131. An act to incorporate the Weston Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company ;
- H. 139. An act to authorize the listers of the town of Fletcher to correct the list of said town for the year 1866, and to legalize the taxes assessed on the list of said town for the years 1865 and 1866 ;
- H. 141. An act to incorporate the Cambridgeport Quarrying and Manufacturing Company ;
- H. 142. An act to incorporate the Weston Hotel Company ;

Mr. Van Sicklen, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bill entitled

- H. 121. An act for the relief of Charles W. Bickford ;
Reported adversely to its passage.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative.

The Committee on Claims reported

By Mr. Burt,

H. 8. An act to pay Thomas E. Powers the balance due him for superintending the reconstruction of the State House;

By Mr. Thompson,

H. 40. An act to pay Oscar M. Lawton the sum therein mentioned;

By Mr. Burt,

H. 67. An act to pay William M. Field the sum therein mentioned;

By Mr. Lane, of Cornwall,

H. 92. An act to pay Norman Fowler the sum therein mentioned;

H. 147. An act to pay Luther L. Durant the sum therein mentioned;

Adversely to their passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bills were severally refused.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 75. An act in amendment of section sixteen, chapter eighty-three, of the General Statutes, entitled "Grand list";

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred the petition of A. G. Brush and others, reported, recommending the passage of House bill entitled

H. 171. An act to incorporate the Vermont State Eclectic Medical Society;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the Senate, of the following titles:

S. 3. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Iron Works;

S. 17. An act repealing certain sections of the General Statutes, relating to the election of senators to represent this State in the Congress of the United States;

S. 68. An act in relation to the election of a member of Congress from the third congressional district.

The Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 6. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Essex County Railroad Company," approved November 1, 1864 ;

H. 18. An act in addition to an act incorporating the Poultney Cemetery Association ;

H. 32. An act in addition to the twenty-second chapter of the General Statutes, in relation to the duties of town superintendents of schools ;

H. 39. An act to incorporate the Bennington Water Power Company ;

H. 61. An act to incorporate the Rochester Academy ;

H. 68. An act to incorporate the Hinesburgh Cornet Band ;

H. 116. An act to incorporate the Burlington District Educational Aid Society ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

They have also considered

H. 17. An act to incorporate the Peru Boot and Shoe Company ;

H. 49. An act to incorporate the Rutland Missionary Association ;

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Randolph Hotel Company ;

H. 79. An act laying a tax on the county of Grand Isle ;

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Manchester Manufacturing Company ;

H. 103. An act to incorporate the Sudbury Marble Company ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have also passed bills of the following titles :

S. 37. An act to enable the State Treasurer to discharge certain mortgages given for banking purposes ;

S. 48. An act to incorporate the Vermont Manufacturing Company ;

S. 54. An act to incorporate the Adams Slate and Tile Company ;

S. 60. An act to amend section thirty-nine of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, in relation to the fees of grand and petit jurors before the county court;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Welch, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 85. An act to amend "An act to incorporate the Mount Mansfield Railroad Company," approved October 28, 1865;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 111. An act altering, amending and repealing certain sections of the Revised Statutes, relating to the grand list;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Engrossed bills entitled

H. 148. An act to incorporate the Powers Marble Company;

H. 151. An act to incorporate the Leicester Marble Company;

Were severally read the third time and passed.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bills entitled

H. 17. An act to incorporate the Peru Boot and Shoe Company;

H. 49. An act to incorporate the Rutland Missionary Association;

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Randolph Hotel Company;

H. 79. An act to legalize a tax on the county of Grand Isle;

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Manchester Manufacturing Company;

H. 103. An act to incorporate the Sudbury Marble Company;

And concurred therein.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 37. An act to enable the State Treasurer to discharge certain mortgages, given for banking purposes ;

To the Committee of Ways and Means.

S. 48. An act to incorporate the Vermont Manufacturing Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 54. An act to incorporate the Adams Slate and Tile Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 60. An act to amend section thirty-nine of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, in relation to the fees of grand and petit jurors before the county court ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Prout, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 121. An act for the relief of Charles W. Bickford ;
Was read the third time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Cheney moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend in section one, by inserting in the blank therein the words, *seventy-five* ;

Which motion was agreed to.

Whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Cheney as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 100. An act in addition to section twenty-five of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes of Vermont, relating to the attachment of property by copy ;

Was read the third time and passed.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont;

Was taken up for its third reading, pending which, on motion of Mr. Miner, it was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for Thursday afternoon next at three o'clock.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 117. An act in amendment of sections two and three of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to registry and returns of births, marriages and deaths;

Was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Benton, of Guildhall, from the Committee on Land Taxes to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 4. An act to amend sections eighteen and twenty-six of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes, in relation to the redemption of lands sold for taxes;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, from the Committee on Elections, submitted the following report:

To the House of Representatives now in session:

Your committee to whom was referred the remonstrance of Loomis Wells and others against the right of John W. Buzzell, the returned member from the town of Granby, to a seat in the House of Representatives, report that they have had the same under consideration and find the following facts, viz:

John W. Buzzell, the returned member from the town of Granby, was born in Granby and resided there till about the first day of April, A. D. 1864, when he moved with his family to the town of Guildhall, where he had hired a farm of Mr. Elkins for the term of one year, but left behind on his farm in Granby his farming tools and a part of his household furniture. The farm which he hired of Mr. Elkins lies partly in Guildhall and partly in Northumberland, in the state of New Hampshire—the pasture and one dwelling house being in Guildhall, and the mowing and tillage land, and another dwelling house, being in Northumberland. Soon after he moved into the house in Guildhall, finding that his family would be better accommodated in the house in Northumberland, he accordingly moved to Northumberland, taking with him such household furniture as he might need while

temporarily residing there. During the summer his cows were kept in the pasture in Guildhall, and a great part of the produce of the land in Northumberland was brought to Granby, and consumed on his farm in that town. He continued to reside in Northumberland till about the first day of March, A. D. 1865, when he returned with his family to Granby, where he has since resided. We find that in 1864 his name was placed on the list of enrolled militia in both Guildhall and Granby, but do not find that it was on the list of enrolled militia in Northumberland. At the annual March meeting in Granby in 1864 he voted for town officers, and at the Freeman's meeting in September, 1864, he was declared by the civil authority of Granby to be a legal voter in that town, but did not vote, inasmuch as he had "paired off" with a voter of the opposite political party. In November, 1864, he voted for electors of President and Vice President of the United States, in Guildhall. In March, 1865, two days after he had moved his family back to Granby, he was informed by a citizen of Northumberland that his name was on the "check list" of legal voters in Northumberland, and urged to vote there at the annual March meeting of that town. He, however, claimed that he was not a legal voter in Northumberland, and at first refused to vote, but on being advised that he was a legal voter there, did vote for state, county and town officers in Northumberland, at said annual election. No poll tax or other taxes were assessed to him in Northumberland, and it did not appear that his poll was set in the grand list of either Guildhall or Granby for the year 1864.

Your committee also find that Mr. Buzzell did not intend to change his domicile from Granby to Northumberland, but that his residence in Northumberland was for a temporary purpose, and with no intent to abandon his residence and home in Granby.

Your committee, therefore, in view of the facts above stated, recommend the adoption of the accompanying resolution.

All of which is respectfully submitted,
WM. H. WALKER, for Committee.

Whereupon the resolution accompanying said report, as follows :

Resolved, That John W. Buzzell is entitled to a seat as

a member of the House of Representatives from the town of Granby ;

Was read, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Pease, it was

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to procure printed for the use of the General Assembly one thousand copies of the report of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, this day communicated from his Excellency, the Governor.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary are hereby instructed to inquire into the expediency of a general law for the correction of errors in town grand lists, and report by bill or otherwise ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, introduced a bill entitled H. 172. An act relating to the validity of grand lists ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have considered a joint resolution authorizing the Governor to commission A. D. Hager to attend the Universal Exposition of Paris,

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

They have considered a joint resolution for the election of a brigadier general of militia ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have also adopted a joint resolution relative to an adjournment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The House considered the Senate proposal of amendment to the joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly, for the election of brigadier general,

And concurred therein.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,

That when the two Houses adjourn on Friday afternoon next, it be to meet on Tuesday afternoon next at four o'clock ;

Was read, considered and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Rounds offered the following joint resolution :

WHEREAS, By a joint resolution adopted at the annual session of the Legislature of 1864, the Secretary of State was directed to request of Colonel Wells of the First Vermont Cavalry to furnish the original receipt given for the property captured by said regiment, at the battle of Cedar Run, October 19th, 1864 ; and, whereas, it appearing that Colonel Wells was in command of the Second Brigade, Third Cavalry Division, at that battle ; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Secretary of State be directed to request Lieutenant Colonel John W. Bennett, commanding the First Vermont Cavalry at the time, to furnish the original receipt given for property captured by said regiment at the battle of Cedar Creek, October 19th, 1864, for preservation with the archives of the State ;

Which was read. The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House ? Mr. Wells, of Waterbury, moved to amend in line seven, by striking therefrom the word "Run," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *Creek* ;

Which motion was agreed to ;

And said resolution, as amended, was adopted on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Prout, House bill entitled

H. 122. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time ? Mr. Prout moved to amend in section one, line two, by striking therefrom the words "who are" ;

Also, in section three, line nineteen, by inserting after the word "rejected," the words *if a resident or inhabitant of such city or town on the day on which said election is held* ;

Also, in section seven, line one, by inserting after the word "knowingly," the word *falsely*.

Pending the question, on agreeing to the amendment first moved by Mr. Prout, on motion of Mr. Prout, the bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for Wednesday afternoon next, at two and one-half o'clock.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Jones,

H. 173. An act to incorporate the Northfield Hotel Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Lane, of Cornwall,

H. 174. An act directing the sentence of prisoners to be so regulated as to bring their discharge in the summer ;

To the Committee on the State Prison.

By Mr. Andrews,

H. 175. An act in amendment of section fourteen of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Ross, of Brandon,

H. 176. An act changing the name of Myrtie May Naylor to Myrtie May Fletcher ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Hubbard, of Whiting,

H. 177. An act amending section sixty-five of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, relating to laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;

On motion of Mr. Miner, to the Committee on Roads.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers ;

Was taken up as a special order for this time. The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Harris moved that the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend in section one, by striking therefrom the words "two thousand," following the name Peter T. Washburn, and by inserting in lieu thereof the words *fifteen hundred*; also, by striking therefrom the words "two thousand," following the name Perley P. Pitkin, and inserting in lieu thereof the words *fifteen hundred*;

Which motion was agreed to.

Whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Harris as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Miner introduced a bill entitled

H. 178. An act in amendment of an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Dellwood Cemetery Association at Manchester";

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Kellogg, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures, and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Burt introduced a bill entitled

H. 179. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, approved November 9, 1865;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, introduced a bill entitled

H. 180. An act to incorporate the Excelsior Marble Company;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Adolphus M. Kelley presented his credentials as the representative of the town of Elmore, received the oaths of office, and was thereupon admitted to take his seat in the House.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 145. An act to authorize the town of Sharon to purchase the water privilege and dam across White river, or aid in completing the dam;

Reported, for a majority of said committee, in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 21. An act providing for the erection of a monument over the grave of Thomas Chittenden ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, by inserting in the blank therein the words, *three thousand*.

Pending the question, Will the House amend the bill as recommended by said committee? on motion of Mr. Miner, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 134. An act regulating the fees of persons acting under the authority of the probate court, and in amendment of section fifty of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, by inserting in each of the blanks therein the word *two*.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 75. An act in amendment of section sixteen of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Grand list" ;

H. 171. An act to incorporate the Vermont State Eclectic Medical Society.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 14. An act relating to the statistics of divorce ;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill in section one, by adding thereto the words, *for the preceding year*.

The House agreeing thereto, the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, moved that the vote whereby was passed

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers ;
Be reconsidered. Pending which motion, Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved that said motion be

Ordered to lie ;

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 45. An act relating to fire insurance companies ;

H. 96. An act in addition to chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes, in relation to guardians and wards ;

Reported adversely to their passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bills was severally refused.

Mr. Ross, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 98. An act in addition to chapter seventy of the General Statutes, relating to divorce ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended, by striking therefrom section one.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Ross, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 144. An act in relation to the powers and duties of high bailiffs ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Miner, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 28. An act to amend section nineteen of chapter one of the General Statutes ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, moved that the House do now adjourn ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 60. An act to amend section thirty-nine of chapter

one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, in relation to the fees of grand and petit jurors before the county court;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Welch, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

On motion of Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, House bill entitled H. 37. An act to amend section eighty-three, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, relating to the division of public money among school districts;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the amendment recommended by the committee be modified as moved by Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield? on motion of Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, the bill was re-committed to the Committee on Education, together with the amendment recommended by the committee, and the proposed modification thereof, as moved by Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report:
To the House of Representatives now in session:

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have this day examined the following bills, and have presented the same to the Governor for his approval, viz:

H. 69. An act to incorporate the Plymouth Gold Mining Company;

H. 6. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Essex County Railroad Company," approved November 1, 1864;

H. 18. An act in addition to an act incorporating the Poultney Cemetery Association;

H. 39. An act to incorporate the Bennington Water Power Company;

H. 32. An act in addition to the twenty-second chapter of the General Statutes, in relation to the duties of town superintendents of common schools;

H. 61. An act to incorporate the Rochester Academy;

H. 68. An act to incorporate the Hinesburgh Cornet Band;

H. 82. An act to incorporate the Passumpsic River and Island Pond Railroad Company ;

H. 116. An act to incorporate the Burlington District Educational Aid Society ;

H. 103. An act to incorporate the Sudbury Marble Company ;

H. 17. An act to incorporate the Peru Boot and Shoe Company ;

H. 79. An act laying a tax on the county of Grand Isle ;

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Randolph Hotel Company ;

H. 49. An act to incorporate the Rutland Missionary Association ;

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Manchester Manufacturing Company.

AMHERST LAMB, for the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Wyman, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1866, 4 P. M.

At four o'clock the House was called to order by Mr. Dixon, Assistant Clerk.

No quorum appearing, on motion of Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. Mr. Wheelock, the representative of the town of Cambridge.

The Journals of Friday, November 2d, and yesterday, were read and approved.

Mr. Rogers presented the petition of Wm. W. Kelley and thirty-one others, citizens of Wallingford, praying the General Assembly to enact a law changing the present rates of toll in milling ;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Prout,

H. 181. An act to incorporate the West Rutland Centre School ;

On motion of Mr. Prout, to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Shepard,

H. 182. An act to pay John G. Putnam the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Nott,

H. 183. An act to incorporate the Sharon Mill Company ;

By Mr. Clark, of Poultney,

H. 184. An act changing the corporate name of Troy Conference Academy ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Tilden,

H. 185. An act to incorporate the Montpelier and White River Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Corbin,

H. 186. An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled " Of assessment and collection of taxes " ;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 98. An act in addition to chapter seventy of the General Statutes, relating to divorce ;

H. 134. An act regulating the fees of persons acting under the authority of the probate court, and in amendment of section fifty of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes ;

H. 144. An act in relation to powers and duties of high bailiffs ;

H. 145. An act to authorize the town of Sharon to pur-

chase the water privilege and dam across White River, or aid in completing the dam.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered the House proposal of amendment to Senate bill entitled

S. 16. An act in amendment of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, and relating to the appraisal of land taken for highways ;

And have concurred therein.

The Senate have considered House bills entitled

H. 9. An act in amendment of section nine of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes ;

H. 58. An act to amend sections one and seven of an act incorporating the first school district in Rockingham, for the purpose therein named ;

H. 154. An act instructing the Committee to make up the Grand List to correct the list of the county of Washington for the year 1865, and for other purposes ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz :

S. 9. An act relating to the proceeds of public lands, in addition to chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes ;

S. 24. An act relating to probate fees and salaries ;

S. 42. An act to amend section fourteen of chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians of insane persons and spendthrifts ;

S. 50. An act in addition to chapter sixteen of the General Statutes, relating to village corporations ;

S. 56. An act laying a tax on the county of Bennington ;

S. 57. An act to amend an act entitled " An act incorporating and establishing the Norwich University at Norwich, in Windsor county " ;

S. 62. An act to incorporate the Woodstock Academy of Natural Science ;

S. 67. An act in relation to chattel mortgages ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform

the House of Representatives that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 6. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Essex County Railroad Company," approved Nov. 1, 1864 ;

H. 17. An act to incorporate the Peru Boot and Shoe Company ;

H. 18. An act in addition to an act incorporating the Poultney Cemetery Association ;

H. 32. An act in addition to the twenty-second chapter of the General Statutes, in relation to the duties of town superintendents of common schools ;

H. 39. An act to incorporate the Bennington Water Power Company ;

H. 49. An act to incorporate the Rutland Missionary Association ;

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Randolph Hotel Company ;

H. 61. An act to incorporate the Rochester Academy ;

H. 68. An act to incorporate the Hinesburgh Cornet Band ;

H. 69. An act to incorporate the Plymouth Gold Mining Company ;

H. 79. An act laying a tax on the county of Grand Isle ;

H. 82. An act to incorporate the Passumpsic River and Island Pond Railroad Company ;

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Manchester Manufacturing Company ;

H. 103. An act to incorporate the Sudbury Marble Company ;

H. 116. An act to incorporate the Burlington District Educational Aid Society.

On motion of Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby was passed engrossed bill, entitled

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers ;

Was taken up.

The question being, Shall the vote, whereby the House passed this bill, be reconsidered? on motion of Mr. Butterfield, said motion was

Ordered to lie.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

S. 9. An act relating to the proceeds of public lands, and

in addition to chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes ;

To the General Committee.

S. 24. An act relating to probate fees and salaries ;

S. 42. An act to amend section fourteen of chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes, relative to the appointment of guardians for insane persons and spendthrifts ;

S. 50. An act in addition to chapter sixteen of the General Statutes, relating to village corporations ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 56. An act laying a tax on the county of Bennington ;

On motion of Mr. Hard, to a select committee to consist of the members of the House from Bennington county.

S. 57. An act to amend an act entitled "An act incorporating and establishing the Norwich University at Norwich, in Windsor county" ;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 62. An act to incorporate the Woodstock Academy of Natural Science ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 67. An act in relation to chattel mortgages ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Bullard, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the Senate, of the following titles, viz :

S. 5. An act relating to the rights and liabilities of husband and wife ;

S. 20. An act to incorporate the Neshobee Marble Company ;

S. 31. An act to incorporate the King Farm Slate and Tile Company ;

S. 35. An act to incorporate the Vermont and Boston Slate Company ;

S. 52. An act to incorporate the Lake Bombazine Slate and Marble Company.

The Senate have considered the House proposal of amendment of

S. 14. An act relating to the statistics of divorce ;
And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered a joint resolution relating to receipt of property captured by Lieutenant Colonel Bennett, and the First Vermont Cavalry ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered House bills entitled

H. 23. An act in amendment of sections thirty-three and thirty-five of chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes ;

H. 53. An act in relation to the qualifications of voters ;

H. 102. An act in addition to chapter one hundred and twelve of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against the lives and persons of individuals ;

H. 148. An act to incorporate the Powers Marble Company ;

H. 151. An act to incorporate the Leicester Marble Company ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered House bills entitled

H. 36. An act laying a tax on the county of Orange ;

H. 141. An act to incorporate the Cambridgeport Quarrying and Manufacturing Company ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 25. An act to pay John Lonergan the sum therein named ;

S. 51. An act amending section forty-four, chapter seventy, of the General Statutes, relating to proceedings in divorce cases ;

S. 63. An act fixing the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court ;

S. 69. An act to amend chapter twenty, section forty-six, of the General Statutes, in relation to the Commissioner of the Insane ;

S. 70. An act to incorporate the Northfield Slate and Tile Company ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have appointed, on their part, as the committee on final adjournment,

Senator Howe of Rutland,
 “ Martin of Orange.

The hour for the Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

House bill entitled

H. 122. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;
 Was taken up as a special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the bill be amended as first moved by Mr. Prout? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the bill be amended as secondly moved by Mr. Prout? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the bill be amended as thirdly moved by Mr. Prout? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, moved to amend the bill in section four, line eleven, by inserting after the word “ cast,” the words, *in such manner as to indicate for what office or officers such person voted* ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Brigham moved that the bill be

Ordered to lie ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was

Ordered to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 175. An act in amendment of section fourteen of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes ;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bills entitled

H. 36. An act laying a tax on the county of Orange;

H. 141. An act to incorporate the Cambridgeport Quarrying and Manufacturing Company;

And concurred therein.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly;

Reported adversely to its passage.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? on motion of Mr. Miner, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, to wit:

S. 25. An act to pay John Lonergan the sum therein named;

To the Committee on Claims.

S. 51. An act amending section forty-four of chapter seventy of the General Statutes, relating to proceedings in divorce cases;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 63. An act fixing the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court;

On motion of Mr. Park, to a select committee of one member of the House from each county.

S. 69. An act to amend chapter twenty, section forty-six, of the General Statutes, in relation to the Commissioner of the Insane;

To the General Committee.

S. 70. An act to incorporate the Northfield Slate and Tile Company;

To the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Ayres, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. Mr. Hubbard, the representative of the town of Stockbridge.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Hamilton,

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Marble and Marbleized Slate Company ;

By Mr. Walker, of Ludlow,

H. 188. An act to incorporate the Village of Ludlow ;

By Mr. Hale,

H. 189. An act to incorporate the Village of Cabot ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Hinsdell,

H. 190. An act to protect fish in Shelburn Pond ;

By Mr. Hale,

H. 191. An act constituting Laura V. Smith heir-at-law of Joseph V. Smith ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Parmelee,

H. 192. An act to amend section four of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, in relation to the fees for registration ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Wood,

H. 193. An act to incorporate Cobb's Cornet Band of Bridgewater ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Wells, of Waterbury,

H. 194. An act to pay the town of Waterbury the sum therein mentioned ;

By Mr. Lane, of Cornwall,

H. 195. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Wood,

H. 196. An act to incorporate the Vermont and Boston Gold Mining Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Palmer,

H. 197. An act to amend section five of chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bliss,

H. 198. An act altering the name of Carroll Franklin Keeler to Carroll Franklin Schoolcraft ;

To the General Committee.

Mr. Safford presented the remonstrance and protest of William C. Bradley and fifty-six others, inhabitants of Westminster, against the enactment of any law removing said town of Westminster from the county of Windham, by the formation of a new county or otherwise ;

Which was referred to the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 80. An act to constitute a new county by the name of Union.

Remonstrances were severally presented and referred to said select committee, against the enactment of any law changing, or otherwise affecting, the present boundary lines of the county of Windsor, to wit :

By Mr. Pierce, the remonstrance of E. D. Briggs and ninety-two others, inhabitants of the town of Rochester ;

By Mr. Marsh, the remonstrance of Peter T. Washburn and sixty-three others, legal voters of the town of Woodstock ;

By Mr. White, of Windsor, the remonstrance of Samuel Taylor and ninety-nine others, inhabitants of the town of Hartland, and of A. G. Hatch and fifty-nine others, inhabitants of the town of Windsor ;

By Mr. Shedd, the remonstrance of George C. Shedd and one hundred others, inhabitants of the town of West Windsor ;

By Mr. Paul, the remonstrance of Paul D. Dean and twenty-seven others, inhabitants of the town of Barnard ;

By Mr. Wood, the remonstrance of Charles S. Raymond and seventy-two others, inhabitants of the town of Bridgewater ;

By Mr. Hubbard, the remonstrance of A. A. Brooks and fourteen others, and of H. D. Morgan and twenty-three others, inhabitants of the town of Stockbridge ;

By Mr. Earle, the remonstrance of Calvin T. Coolidge and one hundred and thirteen others, inhabitants of the town of Plymouth ;

By Mr. Fletcher, the remonstrance of Prosper Merrill and one hundred and fifty-seven others, inhabitants of the town of Reading.

Remonstrances were severally presented and referred to said select committee, against the enactment of any law changing or otherwise affecting the present boundary lines of the county of Windham, to wit :

By Mr. Harris, the remonstrance of George W. Walker and fifty-one others, inhabitants of the town of Dummerston ;

By Mr. Converse, the remonstrance of Abishai Stoddard and one hundred and fifteen others, inhabitants of the town of Townshend ;

By Mr. Tripp, the remonstrance of La Fayette Sheldon and thirty-six others, inhabitants of the town of Stratton ;

By Mr. Curtis, of Somerset, the remonstrance of Henry W. Bellows and fifty-seven others, inhabitants of the town of Marlboro ;

By Mr. Sherman, the remonstrance of W. H. Jones and sixty others, inhabitants of the town of Dover.

Mr. Robinson presented the remonstrance of John Roberts and one hundred and four others, against the passage of the act entitled

H. 80. An act to constitute a new county by the name of Union ;

Which was referred to the select committee raised on that subject.

Mr. Slocum presented the remonstrance of G. A. Sheldon and fifty-three others, against the passage of an act increasing the rates of toll in milling ;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Cardell presented the remonstrance of Denslow Up-ham and one hundred and ninety-one others, legal voters of Warren, against the passage of any act annexing a part of the town of Lincoln to the town of Warren ;

Which was referred to the select committee raised on that subject.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Morgan Academy ;

H. 105. An act to incorporate the American Marble Company ;

H. 119. An act to amend an act entitled " An act to amend an act to incorporate the Village of Rutland, approved November 9, 1865 " ;

H. 121. An act for the relief of Charles W. Bickford ;

H. 131. An act to incorporate the Weston Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have passed bills entitled

S. 43. An act to survey and establish the boundary line between the towns of Belvidere and Bakersfield ;

S. 44. An act to amend an act entitled " An act to incorporate the city of Burlington," approved November 22, 1864 ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The Committee on Corporations, to whom were referred bills of the following titles, reported thereon as follows :

By Mr. White, of Windsor,

H. 180. An act to incorporate the Excelsior Marble Company ;

In favor of its passage when amended in section one, last clause, by inserting after the word " directors," the words, *and stockholders*.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

By Mr. White, of Windsor,

H. 173. An act to incorporate the Northfield Hotel Company ;

In favor of its passage when amended in section four, lines four and ten, by striking therefrom the words " or secured " ;

Also, in lines fourteen, fifteen and sixteen, by striking therefrom the words, " in the proportion of the amount of stock owned by each stockholder."

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended,
was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

By Mr. White, of Windsor,

H. 162. An act to incorporate the American Slate Company;

In favor of its passage when amended in section two, lines nineteen, twenty and twenty-one, by striking therefrom the words, "and stock thus issued shall be considered personal property, and shall not be liable to assessment";

Also, in section three, lines fifteen and sixteen, by striking therefrom the words "assenting thereto."

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended,
was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

By Mr. White, of Windsor,

H. 184. An act changing the corporate name of Troy Conference Academy;

In favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

By Mr. White, of Windsor,

S. 48. An act to incorporate the Vermont Manufacturing Company;

S. 54. An act to incorporate the Adams Slate and Tile Company;

S. 62. An act to incorporate the Woodstock Academy of Natural Sciences;

In favor of their passage; whereupon said bills were severally read the third time and passed in concurrence.

By Mr. White, of Windsor,

H. 168. An act to incorporate the Eureka Marble Company;

In favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

H. 169. An act to incorporate the Rutland County Peat Company;

In favor of its passage, when amended in section three, line eight, by inserting after the word "directors," the words, "and stockholders."

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended,
was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

H. 183. An act to incorporate the Sharon Mill Company;

In favor of its passage, when amended in section three, line five, by inserting after the word "directors," the words, *and stockholders*;

Also, by adding to section four the words, *and also to the provisions of chapter eighty-six of the General Statutes.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Hard, from the select committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 56. An act laying a tax on the county of Bennington;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

S. 44. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Burlington," approved November 22, 1864;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 43. An act to survey and establish the boundary line between the towns of Belvidere and Bakersfield;

To the Committee on Town Lines.

Mr. Bullard, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 179. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, approved November 9, 1865;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Miner moved that the vote by which said bill was ordered to be engrossed and read the third time, be reconsidered;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Clark, of Poultney, moved to amend the bill in section one, line four, by striking therefrom the word "Governor," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *Auditor of Accounts*;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Burt moved that the vote whereby said bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read the third time, be reconsidered ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Burt moved that the vote whereby the House agreed to amend the bill as moved by Mr. Clark, of Poultney, be reconsidered.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, moved that said motion be

Ordered to lie ;

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Hubbard, from the General Committee to whom was referred the petitions of V. Lawrence and one hundred others, and also of Henry Allen and ten others, praying for the repeal of an act protecting fish in Otter Creek ;

Reported, recommending that, inasmuch as the prayer of the petitioners is against the public policy of the State, the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Whereupon such leave was granted.

Mr. Hubbard, from the General Committee to whom were referred Senate bills entitled

S. 19. An act to amend section two, chapter seventy-seven, of the General Statutes, relating to the standard weight of grain ;

S. 29. An act to protect fish in Hermitage Pond in Topsham ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred the petitions of C. M. Willard and one hundred and twenty-six others, also of J. Learned and eighty-one others, citizens of the towns of Castleton and Hubbardton, relating to the preservation of fish in Lake Bombazine, and also House bill entitled

H. 126. An act for the preservation of fish in the waters therein named ;

Reported in favor of the passage of said bill ; whereupon the same was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 86. An act in amendment of section two of chapter one hundred and eighteen of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against public health ;

Reported adversely to its passage.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 42. An act to protect fish in Suke's Pond ;

Reported for a majority, adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 136. An act to protect the fish in Hall's Pond in Newbury ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 122. An act in relation to the qualifications of voters ;

Was read the third time. The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Brigham moved that the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend, in section one, lines one, two and three, by striking out the words, "on petition in writing, signed by not less than one-tenth of the legal voters at the last annual freemen's meeting, in any city or town in this State," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *if a majority of the legal voters of any city or town, at a meeting legally warned for that purpose, shall, by vote, so direct*; also, in line eight, by striking therefrom the words, "city, town or."

Also, in section two, line four, by striking therefrom the words, "city, town and."

Also, in section three, lines five and nine, by striking therefrom the words, "city, town or."

Also, in section four, line four, by striking therefrom the words, "city, town or."

The question being put upon committing the bill to a member, with instructions to amend as respectively moved by Mr. Brigham, it was decided in the negative.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Hatha-

way moved that the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend, in section one, line thirty, by striking therefrom the words "one-tenth," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *thirty*;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Drew moved that the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend, in section one, line two, by inserting after the word "voted," the words, *who voted*;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Marvin, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following joint select committees :

On Senate bill entitled

S. 63. An act fixing the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court :

Mr. Park,
 " Carter,
 " Ruggles,
 " Snyder,
 " Judevine,
 " Martin of Montgomery,
 " Marvin,
 " Weeks,
 " Carpenter of Randolph,
 " Tolman,
 " Mason of Ira,
 " Foster of Montpelier,
 " Butterfield,
 " White of Windsor.

On the joint resolution providing for final adjournment :

Mr. Clark of Poultney,
 " Armstrong,
 " Bemis.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Miner,

H. 199. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Steamboat Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

H. 200. An act enlarging the powers of school district number four, in Middlebury ;

To the Committee on Education.

H. 201. An act granting certain powers to the Addison County Grammar School ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrances against the enactment of any law changing or otherwise affecting the present boundary lines of Windham and Windsor counties, were severally presented and referred to the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 80. An act to constitute a new county by the name of Union, to wit :

By Mr. Cobb, the remonstrance of John Kimball and ninety-three others, inhabitants of the town of Putney ;

By Mr. Loveland, the remonstrance of J. S. Lord and forty others, inhabitants of the town of Norwich ;

By Mr. Chandler, the remonstrance of John Porter and fifty-six others, inhabitants of the town of Hartford.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 120. An act to incorporate the Montpelier and St. Johnsbury Railroad Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage when amended in section three, line five, by inserting after the word, "thereon," the words, *and shall not within ten years expend at least one hundred thousand dollars thereon* ;

Also, in section six, by striking out all thereof after the word "act," in line eleven ;

Also, in section eight, lines six, seven and eight, by striking therefrom the words, "may be selected by the company hereby incorporated, agreeably to section one of this act," and inserting in lieu thereof, *shall be mutually agreed upon by the company of said connecting road and the company hereby incorporated, and in case the company of the connecting road and the company hereby incorporated cannot*

agree upon the point or terms of connection, the same shall be determined, on the application of either party, in the manner provided in section nine of this act.

Also, in section nine, line two, by inserting after the word, "upon," the words, *the point and.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Wheelock, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 125. An act in amendment of sections one and six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, entitled "Of common schools and school laws";

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended,

First, By striking out all of section one, after the word, "follows," in line three, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: *There shall be elected by the Joint Assembly of the Senate and House of Representatives, two persons from each congressional district of the State, who shall hold their offices for four years from the first day of December next following their respective elections, except the first person elected from each congressional district, who shall hold his office for two years from the first day of December next; who, together with the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this State for the time being, who shall be, ex-officio, members thereof, shall be and constitute a Board of Education. All vacancies in offices which may occur by death, resignation, or removal from the district for which such officer was elected, may be filled by the Governor, until the next session of the General Assembly.*

Secondly, In section two, line eleven, by inserting in the blank therein the word, *sixty*.

Thirdly, By adding thereto a section, as follows:

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect from its passage.

The question being respectively stated upon agreeing to the first and second amendments recommended by the committee, it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the bill be amended as thirdly recommended by the committee? on motion of Mr. Miner the bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for Saturday morning next at ten o'clock.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bill entitled

H. 77. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden for the year 1866 ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have considered House bills entitled

H. 56. An act to incorporate the Weathersfield and Claremont Railroad Company ;

H. 71. An act to extend an act to authorize the removal of obstructions from the Passumpsic River ;

H. 91. An act construing section five of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes, in relation to estates of homestead ;

H. 134. An act regulating the fees of persons acting under the authority of the probate court, and in amendment of section fifty of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes ;

H. 139. An act to authorize the listers of the town of Fletcher to correct the list of said town for the year 1866, and to legalize the taxes assessed on the list of said town for the years 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 171. An act to incorporate the Vermont State Eclectic Medical Society ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Mr. Smith, of Ferrisburgh, introduced a bill entitled

H. 202. An act to incorporate the Munger Street Marble Company ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :
To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have this day duly examined the following bills, and have presented the same to the Governor for his approval, viz :

H. 9. An act in amendment of section nine, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes ;

H. 23. An act in amendment of sections thirty-three and thirty-five of chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes ;

H. 36. An act laying a tax on Orange county ;

H. 53. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;

H. 58. An act to amend section one and section seven, of an act incorporating the inhabitants of the first school district in Rockingham, for the purpose therein mentioned.

H. 102. An act in addition to chapter one hundred and twelve of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against the lives and persons of individuals ;

H. 148. An act to incorporate the Powers Marble Company ;

H. 151. An act to incorporate the Leicester Marble Company ;

H. 154. An act instructing the Committee to make up the Grand List to correct the list of the county of Washington for the year 1865, and for other purposes.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, offered the following resolutions :

WHEREAS, This House has heard, with profound regret, of the death, at his residence, on the seventh instant, of the Hon. Merrick Gay, senator from the county of Windsor ; therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives of Vermont,* That we tender to his family and relatives, in this affliction, our entire sympathy, and would make their sorrows our own.

Resolved, That while we see in this death the uncertainty of all things temporal, we do feel the admonition directed to us, to be also ready for our own change.

Resolved, That while we shall ever hold his memory as sacred, we recognize the justice of the dispensation, and trust that the event may be overruled for our good.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to his family, with the assurance of our high regard.

Which were read and unanimously adopted.

On motion of Mr. Miner, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures, and prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Miner, it was

Ordered, That the reading of the Journal, for the remainder of the session, be dispensed with.

Mr. Ball, of Granville, offered the following resolution, which was read, considered and adopted :

Resolved, That on and after Monday evening, November 12, evening sessions of the House of Representatives shall be held, commencing at seven o'clock.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, to wit :

By Mr. Bullard,

H. 203. An act in amendment of section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes ;

By Mr. Parmelee,

H. 204. An act to amend section ten of chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Gilson,

H. 205. An act instructing the Committee to make up the grand list of the county of Windsor for the year 1865, and for other purposes ;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

By Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham,

H. 206. An act restoring William T. Ellison to his legal rights and privileges ;

By Mr. Shedd, of Hardwick,

H. 207. An act altering the name of Eliza Woodbury Gray to Eliza Woodbury Philbrook ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Clark, of Poultney,

H. 208. An act in relation to alien stockholders in railroad corporations in this State ;

By Mr. Miner,

H. 209. An act in addition to chapter seventy of the General Statutes, entitled "Of divorce, alimony, custody of children, also of children of persons living separate";

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Peake,

H. 210. An act in relation to the grand list;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

By Mr. Smith, of Roxbury,

H. 211. An act for the support of paupers in certain cases;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Miner, it was

Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration of House bill entitled

H. 208. An act in relation to alien stockholders in railroad corporations in this State;

Which motion was agreed to; and, on motion of Mr. Miner, said bill was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Rounds offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That after the present week no bills shall be introduced in either House, without the unanimous consent of both Houses, except such as may be reported from committees;

Which was read. The question being, shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Miner, it was

Ordered to lie.

On motion of Mr. Van Sicklen, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby was passed engrossed bill entitled

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers;

Was taken up. The question being stated, Shall the vote by which said bill was passed be reconsidered? it was decided in the negative.

Engrossed bills of the following titles, were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 86. An act in amendment of section two of chapter one hundred and eighteen of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against public health;

H. 120. An act to incorporate the Montpelier and St. Johnsbury Railroad Company;

H. 126. An act for the preservation of fish in the waters therein named ;

H. 136. An act to protect the fish in Hall's Pond in Newbury ;

H. 162. An act to incorporate the American Slate Company ;

H. 168. An act to incorporate the Eureka Marble Company ;

H. 169. An act to incorporate the Rutland County Peat Company ;

H. 173. An act to incorporate the Northfield Hotel Company ;

H. 180. An act to incorporate the Excelsior Marble Company ;

H. 183. An act to incorporate the Sharon Mill Company ;

H. 184. An act changing the corporate name of Troy Conference Academy.

The Committee on Corporations, to whom were referred the following bills, reported thereon, as follows :

By Mr. White, of Windsor,

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Marble and Marbleized Slate Company ;

H. 196. An act to incorporate the Vermont and Boston Gold Mining Company ;

H. 89. An act in amendment to an act entitled " An act to incorporate the village of Fairhaven " ;

H. 88. An act to incorporate the Prospect Hill Aqueduct Company ;

In favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

By Mr. White, of Windsor, from the same committee,

H. 95. An act to incorporate the Starksboro Copper Mining Company ;

In favor of its passage, when amended, by striking therefrom section four, and inserting in lieu thereof the following :
Such corporation shall not contract debts to an amount exceeding three-fourths of its capital stock actually paid in, and if the indebtedness of said corporation shall at any time exceed the amount aforesaid, the directors and stockholders shall be personally holden to the creditors of said corporation for such excess.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

By Mr. White, of Windsor, from the same committee,

H. 99. An act to incorporate the Valley Cheese Manufacturing Company of Hinesburgh;

In favor of its passage, when amended in section one, lines six and seven, by striking therefrom the words, "hogs, or anything that may be for the interest of said company."

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

By Mr. White, of Windsor, from the same committee,

S. 70. An act to incorporate the Northfield Slate and Tile Company;

In favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

The General Committee, to whom were referred bills of the following titles, reported thereon as follows:

By Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge,

H. 33. An act changing the name of Alva Wiswell Hogaboom, and constituting him heir-at-law of Lewis A. Davis and Lorian Davis;

H. 46. An act to change the name of Willis Peavey and constitute him heir-at-law of David W. Chaffee and Susan H. Chaffee;

H. 70. An act to change the name of John O'Brien;

H. 93. An act altering the name of Walter Herbert Dunmore;

H. 137. An act to change the name of Harriett Skinner to Harriett Gladding;

H. 155. An act constituting Henry Clinton Conant heir-at-law of Henry C. and Huldah P. Hunt;

H. 159. An act changing the name of George Orville Foskett to George Orville Ford;

H. 176. An act changing the name of Myrtie May Naylor to Myrtie May Fletcher;

H. 191. An act constituting Laura V. Smith heir-at-law of Joseph V. Smith;

H. 198. An act altering the name of Carroll Franklin Keeler to Carroll Franklin Schoolcraft;

H. 20. An act to change the name of Permilla Lucy Wood to Permilla Lucy Potter;

In favor of their passage; whereupon the bills were *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, from the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 104. An act changing the boundary line between the towns of Lincoln and Warren ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Brigham, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 67. An act in relation to chattel mortgages ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Ball, of Springfield, from the Committee on Manufactures to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 160. An act to incorporate the Allen Kerosene Oil Safe Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section two, by striking out all thereof after the word "excess," in line twenty.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 167. An act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of district schools in certain cases ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 24. An act relating to probate fees and salaries ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass in concurrence ? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 25. An act to pay John Lonergan the sum therein mentioned ;

Reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof ; whereupon the discharge asked for by the

committee was granted, and said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 108. An act to pay Giles M. Carpenter the sum therein named ;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill entitled

H. 212. An act to pay Giles M. Carpenter the sum therein named ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 178. An act in amendment of an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Dellwood Cemetery Association at Manchester";

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on Claims to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 60. An act to pay Benjamin H. Dwinell the sum therein mentioned ;

H. 146. An act to pay Milo C. Stewart the sum therein mentioned ;

Reported adversely to their passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bills was severally refused.

Mr. Burt, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 135. An act to pay James A. Pollard the sum therein mentioned ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, by inserting in the blank therein the words, *three hundred*.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Burt, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 194. An act to pay the town of Waterbury the sum therein mentioned ;

Reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration thereof; whereupon the discharge asked for by the committee was granted.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 149. An act to legalize certain proceedings of the town of Essex;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 57. An act to amend an act entitled "An act incorporating and establishing the Norwich University at Norwich, in Windsor county";

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 128. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, by inserting in the blank therein the word *ten*.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Rounds, from the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred the joint resolution relating to the policy of reconstruction of the rebellious states,

Reported as a substitute therefor, and recommended its adoption, as follows:

Whereas, The suppression of the late unprovoked, wicked and gigantic rebellion, against the best government in Christendom, involved the expenditure of billions of treasure, the sacrifice of hundreds of thousands of invaluable lives, and occasioned an incalculable amount of human suffering; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That in the reconstruction of the states lately in rebellion, humanity imperatively demands that there should be no compromise with traitors; on the contrary, that treason should be made odious and traitors punished.

Resolved, That it is the exclusive right of Congress, as the representative of a loyal people, who saved the nation from utter ruin, to prescribe the terms whereby the rebellious states may resume their former relation to the government which they strove for four years to destroy.

Resolved, That we recognize in the unyielding position occupied by the legislative branch of the general government, a degree of forbearance and forgiveness towards conquered rebels, unparalleled in the history of the world; and actuated by none other than a Christian spirit, with a firm reliance upon the God of nations, we most solemnly pledge ourselves to support the Congress of the United States in a just and persistent demand for a full and complete recognition of the rights of every citizen within the limits of our broad domain.

Which proposed substitute was read, and the question being, Shall the substitute resolution recommended by the committee be agreed to? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the joint resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, said resolution was

Ordered to lie, and the clerk directed to procure it printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bill entitled

H. 77. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden for the year 1866;

And concurred therein.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the use of the Hall of Representatives for Sabbath day worship is hereby tendered to the first Congregational Church and Society of Montpelier to continue to worship in at their option, and at their expense, until the opening of their house of worship, now in process of erection; provided, that the

Hall, House and heating apparatus be returned in as good order as received, except the common wear ;

Which was read, considered, and the adoption thereof refused.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 200. An act enlarging the powers of school district number four, in Middlebury ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Miner introduced a bill entitled

H. 213. An act in addition to chapter twenty-nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the court of chancery" ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 37. An act to enable the State Treasurer to discharge certain mortgages given for banking purposes ;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill by striking therefrom section two.

The House agreeing thereto, said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment.

On motion of Mr. Welch, House bill entitled

H. 21. An act providing for the erection of a monument over the grave of Thomas Chittenden ;

Was taken up. The question being, Will the House agree to the amendment recommended by the committee? on motion of Mr. Harris, the bill was

Ordered to lie, and made a special order for Tuesday forenoon next, at eleven o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter, of Pawlet, it was

Ordered, that the Clerk request the Senate to return to the possession of the House, Senate bill entitled

S. 24. An act relating to probate fees and salaries.

Mr. Weston, of Colchester, introduced a bill entitled

H. 214. An act to change the name of the Winooski Marble Company ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont ;

Was taken up, it being among the unfinished business of yesterday's session.

The bill was read the third time, and the question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Miner moved that the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend, by adding to section six the following: *provided that nothing in this act contained shall prevent any person from taking trout or muscalunge with hook and line, from the 15th day of May, to the 31st day of August, in each year.*

Mr. Burt moved that the bill be

Ordered to lie ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend, as moved by Mr. Miner? it was decided in the affirmative. Whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Miner as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to return to the possession of the House, Senate bill entitled

S. 24. An act relating to probate fees and salaries ;

Agreeably to a request of the House.

On motion of Mr. Rounds, the joint resolution relating to the introduction of bills was taken up.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? Mr. Miner moved to amend, by striking therefrom the words, "the present week," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *Monday next*;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the resolution, as amended, be adopted on the part of the House? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Carpenter, of Pawlet, moved that the vote whereby the House refused to pass in concurrence Senate bill entitled

S. 24. An act relating to probate fees and salaries ;

Be reconsidered ; pending which motion, on motion of Cleveland, of Brookfield, said bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for Tuesday morning next, at 10 1-2 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Rounds, House bill entitled

H. 65. An act securing the attendance of children of certain ages, on district schools, and in addition to chapter twenty-two, title thirteen, General Statutes ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the vote whereby the House refused the engrossment and third reading of the bill be reconsidered ? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Christy moved that the vote whereby the House refused the engrossment and third reading of House bill entitled

H. 42. An act to protect fish in Suke's Pond ;

Be reconsidered ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time ? on motion of Mr. Benton, of Guildhall, the bill was re-committed to the General Committee.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :
To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have this day duly examined the following bills, and have presented the same to the Governor for his approval, viz :

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Morgan Academy ;

H. 105. An act to incorporate the American Marble Company ;

H. 119. An act to amend an act entitled " An act to amend an act to incorporate the Village of Rutland, approved November 9, 1865 " ;

H. 121. An act for the relief of Charles W. Bickford ;

H. 131. An act to incorporate the Weston Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company ;

H. 141. An act to incorporate the Cambridgeport Quarrying and Manufacturing Company ;

H. 56. An act to incorporate the Weathersfield and Claremont Railroad Company ;

H. 71. An act to extend an act to authorize the removal of obstructions from the Passumpsic River ;

H. 91. An act construing section five of chapter sixty--

eight of the General Statutes, in relation to estates of homesteads ;

H. 134. An act regulating the fees of persons acting under the authority of the probate court, and in amendment of section fifty of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes ;

H. 139. An act to authorize the listers of the town of Fletcher to correct the list of said town for the year 1866, and to legalize the taxes assessed on the list of said town for the years 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 171. An act to incorporate the Vermont State Eclectic Medical Society.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

On motion of Mr. Miles, the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred as follows :

By Mr. Ross, of Brandon,

H. 215. An act in alteration of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Ladd,

H. 216. An act to change the name of Frank R. Miles, to Frank R. Poor ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Paul,

H. 217. An act to promote and preserve the efficiency of the organized militia ;

To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Bowker,

H. 218. An act to incorporate the Lunenburg Starch Company ;

By Mr. Van Sicklen,

H. 219. An act to incorporate the Free Press Association ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield,

H. 220. An act relating to the estates of homestead and in dower, and in amendment of section six of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Horton.

H. 221. An act to change the name of Lucy Alira to Lila Graves, and constituting her heir-at-law of Lyman and Emily Graves ;

By Mr. Soper,

H. 222. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Coventry ;

To the General Committee.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 20. An act to change the name of Permillia Lucy Wood to Permillia Lucy Potter ;

H. 33. An act changing the name of Alva Wiswell Hogaboom, and constituting him heir-at-law of Lewis A. Davis and Lorain Davis ;

H. 46. An act to alter the name of Willis Peavey, and to constitute him heir-at-law of David W. Chaffee and Susan H. Chaffee ;

H. 70. An act to change the name of John O'Brien.

H. 88. An act to incorporate the Prospect Hill Aqueduct Company ;

H. 89. An act in amendment to an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Fairhaven " ;

H. 93. An act altering the name of Walter Herbert Dunsmore ;

H. 95. An act to incorporate the Starksboro Copper Mining Company ;

H. 99. An act to incorporate the Valley Cheese Manufacturing Company of Hinesburgh ;

H. 128. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia ;

H. 135. An act to pay James A. Pollard, the sum therein mentioned ;

H. 137. An act to change the name of Harriett Skinner to Harriett Gladding ;

H. 149. An act to legalize certain proceedings of the town of Essex ;

H. 155. An act constituting Henry Clinton Conant heir-at-law of Henry C. and Huldah P. Hunt ;

H. 159. An act to change the name of George Orville Foskett to George Orville Ford.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 160. An act to incorporate the Allen Kerosene Oil Safe Company ;

Was read the third time. The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Ball, of Springfield, moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend in section two, line ten, by inserting after the word "stock," the words, *at not less than three thousand dollars, nor over one hundred thousand dollars, none of which stock when paid in shall be withdrawn during the continuance of said corporation ;*

Which motion was agreed to. Whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Ball, of Springfield, as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

The select committee on the part of the House appointed and instructed under a joint resolution to visit the State Reform School to examine into its condition and management, and report to each House, submitted the following report :

To the House of Representatives now in session :

The committee appointed to visit the State Reform School, at Waterbury, made the contemplated visit on Friday, October 26th. Our examination related both to the real estate which had been purchased, and to that which was bonded to the State ; to the improvements which had been effected in the buildings ; to the school proper, and to the general management of the institution.

The appearance of the land and buildings afforded abundant evidence that the purchase was judiciously made. The remainder of the old Governor Butler farm, so-called, consisting of pasture, tillage and woodland, which was bonded

to the State, we hope will be secured by an appropriation at the present session.

The farm house has been enlarged and fitted up for the accommodation of thirty or more boys.

The school numbered fifteen. The pupils gave evidence of good natural capacity, and were receiving valuable discipline and instruction.

The general management of the institution was, in the main, excellent. The superintendent and his associates were enthusiastically devoted to their work, co-operating to secure the correct training and the reformation of the children committed to their care.

We believe the State Reform School has a hopeful beginning. Though still in its infancy, it has commenced a mission of usefulness to those who otherwise are candidates for a career of crime, and for a lodgment in our jails and State Prison. Prevention of crime, the reformation of offenders, and thus the protection and welfare of the community, are the laudable objects sought.

The reasons for making appropriations for the Reform School are both economic and benevolent. The guardianship of a vicious child is less expensive there than it can be when he is at liberty. While properly confined and educated in this school, he is not enticing others to walk in his evil ways. A wicked boy, when free to go abroad in the community, is not satisfied to do his bad work alone. He will have companions, and, if possible, make them as vile as he is himself; and as he leads them on, it is that they may make depredations in the commission of crimes, disturbing the peace, taking the property, and endangering the lives of all good citizens. It is therefore the part of economy to separate such from general society and lay them under wholesome restraint.

But admitting that this care of juvenile offenders were more expensive, yet the State is bound, so far as possible, to secure the welfare of all its constituent parts. Its guardians are to be careful that it receive no detriment. So soon as it is known that a child is without a natural guardian, and in consequence thereof is going to ruin, the State, as the common parent of us all, is to lay restraint on him, and throw around him her protecting care. Most of these vagrant boys and girls are virtually orphans. They are not only ignorant and vicious, but neglected; consequently they

look to the State for help. More than half of them will be saved by a few months or years judicious training, so that instead of being a curse to themselves and others, they will take an active part in promoting the welfare and bearing the burdens of the State.

Your committee are of the opinion that the best interests of the State demand that as soon as is consistent with other imperative calls on our State treasury, an appropriation should be made to establish a similar institution for girls, either in connection with the school at Waterbury, or entirely distinct from that institution, as shall be considered expedient after having more experience. If established at Waterbury, a separate building will be requisite, the estimated cost of which will be \$2,000—which will be more economical than the establishment of a separate institution in some other part of the State. But we do not feel at liberty to recommend an appropriation for that purpose at the present session.

Your committee urge a liberal appropriation of money for the support of the school, and careful legislation, that its affairs may be conducted wisely.

In the opinion of your committee, the "Act to establish the Vermont Reform School," approved November 9, 1865, needs amendments in several important particulars; and the accompanying bill, entitled "An act for the regulation and government of the Vermont Reform School," is expressive of our views on that subject.

Respectfully submitted.

LEONARD TENNEY,
JOEL FOSTER, JR.,
VOLNEY ROSS,
CHARLES MARSH,
JOHN H. CONVERSE.

Whereupon the bill reported by the committee, and entitled

H. 224. An act for the regulation and government of the Vermont Reform School;

Was read the first and second time, and the question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? on motion of Mr. Clark of Poultney, said bill and the report of the committee, were

Ordered to lie, and the clerk directed to procure printed three hundred copies thereof for the use of the House.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 167. An act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of district schools in certain cases ;

Was read the third time. The question being, Shall the bill pass ? on motion of Mr. Marvin, it was

Ordered to lie.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 176. An act changing the name of Myrtie May Naylor to Myrtie May Fletcher ;

H. 178. An act in amendment of an act, entitled " An act to incorporate the Dellwood Cemetery Association at Manchester " ;

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Marble and Marbleized Slate Company ;

H. 191. An act constituting Laura V. Smith heir-at-law of Joseph V. Smith ;

H. 198. An act altering the name of Carroll Franklin Keeler to Carroll Franklin Schoolcraft ;

H. 196. An act to incorporate the Vermont and Boston Gold Mining Company ;

H. 200. An act enlarging the powers of school district number four in Middlebury ;

H. 212. An act to pay Giles M. Carpenter the sum therein named.

The Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bills entitled

H. 62. An act relating to railroads ;

H. 63. An act in addition to an act in amendment of section eighty-four of chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, relating to railroads, approved November 2, 1865 ;

H. 64. An act to authorize the Bennington and Rutland Railroad Company to extend the northern line of their road ;

H. 150. An act relating to operating railroads in this State ;

Reported that the parties directly interested therein, had effected an arrangement which, in their opinion, renders legislation unnecessary, and asking to be discharged from further consideration thereof. Whereupon the discharge asked was granted.

Pending the question on the engrossment and third reading of said bills, on motion of Mr. Park, said bills were severally

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 177. An act amending section sixty-five of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, relating to laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time Monday morning next.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 115. An act to incorporate Springfield Village ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section ten, by striking therefrom line eleven, and in line twelve by striking therefrom the word, "village."

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. White of Windsor, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 78. An act in amendment of an act incorporating the Northfield Cemetery Association ;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill entitled

H. 223. An act to amend the charter of the Northfield Cemetery Association ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the same committee to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 193. An act to incorporate Cobb's Cornet Band of Bridgewater ;

H. 199. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Steamboat Company ;

H. 156. An act to incorporate the Granville Vermont Lumber Company ;

H. 202. An act to incorporate the Munger Street Marble Company ;

H. 214. An act to change the name of the Winooski Marble Company ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Clark, of Pqultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred the joint resolution authorizing the purchase of Carpenter's picture of the first reading of the Emancipation Proclamation, by President Lincoln to his Cabinet,

Reported, recommending its adoption on the part of the House.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Roberts, from the Committee on the State Prison to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 174. An act directing the sentence of prisoners to be so regulated as to bring their discharge in the summer ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 80. An act to constitute a new county by the name of Union ;

Reported adversely to its passage.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? on motion of Mr. Rounds, it was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Park, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 53. An act in addition to chapter eighty-nine of the General Statutes, relating to banks ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Slocum, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 42. An act to protect fish in Suke's Pond ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, lines five, six and seven, by striking therefrom the words, "said pond being the private property of Joel Jenkins, without the consent of the owner thereof, he," and in-

serting in lieu thereof the words, *for five years from the passage of this act.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Herrick,

H. 225. An act in amendment of section forty of the General Statutes, relating to the collection of taxes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury,

H. 226. An act limiting the duration of charters of banks existing under the laws of the State of Vermont ;

To the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Grover,

H. 227. An act in amendment of section twenty-four of chapter thirty-six of the General Statutes, and section one of number thirty-one of the acts of A. D. 1864 ;

By Mr. Burt,

H. 228. An act in amendment of section thirty-one of chapter thirty of the General Statutes, relating to the affirmance of a justices' judgment ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Bullard, engrossed bill entitled

H. 167. An act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of district schools in certain cases ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill pass ? on motion of Mr. Wheelock, the bill was

Ordered to lie.

On motion of Mr. Snyder it was

Ordered, that the Clerk be directed to request the Senate to return to the possession of the House engrossed bill entitled

H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont.

House bill entitled

H. 125. An act in amendment of sections one and six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, entitled "Of common schools and school laws" ;

Was taken up as a special order for this time. The question being, Shall the amendment thirdly recommended by the committee be agreed to? on motion of Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, the bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for Monday evening next at seven o'clock.

Mr. Fairman, of Vernon, introduced a bill entitled

H. 229. An act to change the name of John Elbert Toby to Arby John Harris, and constitute him heir-at-law of Wentworth N. and Mary H. Harris ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

On motion of Mr. Woods, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Burt presented the petition of N. S. Wood and one hundred and ninety others, praying the General Assembly to enact a law prohibiting the depositing of poison upon lands ;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Benton, of Guildhall,

H. 230. An act to amend section forty-one of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, relating to the fees of town grand jurors ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Tilden,

H. 231. An act to protect fish in Taft's pond ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Paul,

H. 232. An act to amend section thirteen, chapter forty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of levy of execution" ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, }
Montpelier, Nov. 10, 1866. }

HON. J. W. STEWART,

Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR: I herewith return to the House, without my approval, House bill 141, entitled "An act to incorporate the Cambridgeport Quarrying and Manufacturing Company."

This act grants to the corporation the usual privilege of creating debts equal in amount to three-fourths of the capital stock paid in, without incurring any individual liability on the part of its directors or stockholders; but it does not contain the usual clause prohibiting the corporation from withdrawing the capital that has been paid in during the continuance of their corporate existence; while a withdrawal of capital, if effected, would leave debts against the corporation valueless.

I feel quite sure that so important an omission was unintentional, on the part of the Legislature; and for this reason return the bill for further consideration, and that such restriction may be incorporated into a new bill, if such is their pleasure.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

Whereupon the House proceeded to reconsider the bill, so returned, with his objections thereto, from the Governor, and the question being put by the Chair, Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Executive? it was decided in the negative—yeas 1, nays 159.

The yeas and nays being taken thereon, in accordance with the Constitution, are as follows:

That member who voted in the affirmative is Mr.

Allen—1.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Andrews,
Appleton,
Ayres,
Baird,
Ball of Granville,
Ball of Springfield,
Bartlett of Morgan,
Bartlett of Plainfield,
Barton,
Bemis,
Benson,
Benton of Guildhall,
Benton of Waltham,
Birchard,
Bliss,
Bowker,
Bradley,
Bragg,

Brock,
Bruce,
Bullard,
Burt,
Burton,
Butterfield,
Buzzell,
Cady,
Carpenter of Pawlet,
Carpenter of Randolph,
Carter,
Chamberlin,
Chandler,
Cheney,
Church,
Claffin,
Clark of Addison,
Clark of Poultney,

Cleaveland of Brookfield,
Cobb,
Converse,
Cook,
Cooper,
Corbin,
Corliss of Richford,
Cristy,
Curtis of Lowell,
Curtis of Somerset,
Dana,
Deming,
Drew,
Earle,
Fairman,
Fitts,
Fletcher,
Foster of Calais,

Foster of Montpelier,	Leland,	Sherman,
Foster of Pownal,	Lyon,	Shuffleton,
Foster of Shrewsbury,	Marsh,	Simonds,
Foster of Walden,	Martin of Montgomery,	Slocum,
Freeman,	Marvin,	Smith of Bridport,
Gibb,	Mason of Ira,	Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Gibbs,	McQuivey,	Smith of Guilford,
Gilson,	Merrifield,	Smith of Roxbury,
Goodsell,	Miles,	Spafford,
Goss,	Morgan,	Spaulding,
Graves of Duxbury,	Nelson,	Stevens,
Green,	Niles,	Stewart,
Griffith,	Noble,	Stickney,
Grover,	Nott,	Stone,
Hale,	Nourse,	Swingleton,
Hamilton,	Park,	Taft,
Hard,	Parker,	Taylor,
Hathaway,	Parnelee,	Tenney,
Herrick,	Paul,	Thomas,
Hill,	Pease,	Tilden,
Hinsdell,	Phillips,	Tolman,
Holmes,	Pierce,	Town,
Hopkins,	Prout,	Tryon,
Horton,	Purinton,	Van Sicklen,
Howard,	Randall,	Waite,
Hubbard of Whiting,	Richardson of Waitsfield,	Walker of Ludlow,
Irish,	Roberts,	Warren,
Joslyn,	Robie,	Webster,
Judevine,	Robinson,	Weeks,
Kelley,	Rogers,	Welch,
Kellogg,	Ross of Brandon,	Wells of Waterbury,
Ketcham,	Ross of St. Johnsbury,	Whitney of Wilmington,
Ladd of Worcester,	Rounds,	Wiley,
Lamb,	Sanborn of Vershire,	Wood,
Lane of Cornwall,	Shedd of West Windsor,	Woods—159.

So the House refused to pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers ;

H. 94. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodbury for the year 1866 ;

H. 142. An act to incorporate the Weston Hotel Company ;

H. 145. An act to authorize the town of Sharon to purchase the water privilege and dam across White river, or aid in completing the dam ;

H. 126. An act for the preservation of fish in the waters therein named ;

H. 162. An act to incorporate the American Slate Company ;

H. 168. An act to incorporate the Eureka Marble Company ;

H. 169. An act to incorporate the Rutland County Peat Company ;

H. 180. An act to incorporate the Excelsior Marble Company;

H. 184. An act changing the corporate name of Troy Conference Academy;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

They have also considered House bill entitled

H. 100. An act in addition to section twenty-five of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes of Vermont, relating to the attachment of property by copy;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have considered joint resolutions from the House, relating to the pardons of James Lynch, John McMahon and others,

And have adopted the same in concurrence with proposals of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

They have also considered a joint resolution from the House, relative to introduction of bills;

And have not adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 66. An act repealing chapter one hundred and nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of persons claimed as fugitive slaves, and to prevent kidnapping";

S. 72. An act to protect the rights of married women;

S. 76. An act to incorporate the Brandon Reservoir Company;

S. 80. An act to provide for the repairs of highways;

S. 81. An act fixing the time for holding the county court in the county of Orange, and in alteration of section twenty-six, chapter thirty, of the General Statutes;

S. 88. An act relating to the times of holding the Supreme Court in the county of Windsor, and in amendment of section seven of chapter thirty of the General Statutes;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

I am directed to return to the House of Representatives, agreeably to their request,

H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont.

Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, moved that the vote whereby the House refused the engrossment and third reading of House bill entitled

H. 174. An act directing the sentence of prisoners to be so regulated as to bring their discharge in summer ;

Be reconsidered,

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? on motion of Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, the bill was

Ordered to lie.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bill entitled

H. 100. An act in addition to section twenty-five of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes of Vermont, relating to the attachment of property by copy ;

Also to the joint resolution relating to the pardons of James Lynch, John McMahon and others ;

And concurred therein.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time and referred, as follows :

S. 66. An act repealing chapter one hundred and nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of provisions relative to persons claimed as fugitive slaves, and to prevent kidnapping" ;

S. 72. An act to protect the rights of married women ;
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 76. An act to incorporate the Brandon Reservoir Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 80. An act to provide for the repairs of highways ;
To the Committee on Roads.

S. 81. An act fixing the time of holding the county court in the county of Orange, and in alteration of section twenty-six of chapter thirty of the General Statutes ;

On motion of Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, to a select committee consisting of the members of the House from the county of Orange.

On motion of Mr. Burt, the motion to reconsider the vote to amend, as moved by Mr. Clark, of Poultney, House bill entitled

H. 179. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, approved November 9, 1865 ;

Was taken up.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be amended, as moved by Mr. Clark, of Poultney, it was decided in the negative.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time on Monday morning next.

Senate bill entitled

S. 88. An act relating to the times of holding the Supreme Court in the county of Windsor, and in amendment of section seven, chapter thirty, of the General Statutes ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to a select committee consisting of the members of the House from Windsor county.

Mr. Slocum moved that the vote whereby was passed House bill entitled

H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont ;

Be reconsidered,

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? on motion of Mr. Prout, the bill was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Andrews moved that the House do now adjourn ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Rounds offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That after Monday next no bill shall be introduced into this House without unanimous consent, except from committees ;

Which was read, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of Ferrisburgh, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures, and prayer by the Chaplain.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Parmelee,

H. 233. An act defining the jurisdiction of town clerks ;
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Smith, of Guilford,

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Guilford, for the years 1863, 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Carter,

H. 235. An act in addition to an act, entitled " An act to protect fish in Otter Creek " ;
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Butterfield,

H. 236. An act to incorporate the Smith Soapstone Company ;

By Mr. Paul,

H. 237. An act to incorporate the Taftsville Cemetery Association ;
To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Robinson,

H. 238. An act to protect fish in Kenney's pond ;
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Marsh,

H. 239. An act to authorize the towns of Woodstock, Sherburne, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Pomfret, Hartland and Hartford, to raise money for building a railroad ;

H. 240. An act to amend section one of an act entitled " An act to authorize the town of Woodstock to raise money for building a railroad " ;

To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Joslyn,

H. 241. An act for the aid of drafted soldiers ;
To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Parker,

H. 242. An act in addition to number thirty-two of the Acts of 1865, approved November 9, 1865, relating to fees of sheriffs and constables ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

Engrossed bills of the following titles, were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 42. An act to protect fish in Suke's pond ;

H. 115. An act to incorporate Springfield Village ;

H. 156. An act to incorporate the Granville Vermont Lumber Company ;

H. 177. An act amending section sixty-five of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, relating to laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;

H. 179. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, approved November 9, 1865 ;

H. 193. An act to incorporate Cobb's Cornet Band of Bridgewater ;

H. 199. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Steamboat Company ;

H. 202. An act to incorporate the Munger Street Marble Company ;

H. 214. An act to change the name of the Winooski Marble Company ;

H. 223. An act to amend the charter of the Northfield Cemetery Association.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 20. An act to change the name of Permillia Lucy Wood to Permillia Lucy Potter ;

H. 33. An act changing the name of Alva Wiswell Hogaboom, and constituting him heir-at-law of Lewis A. Davis and Lorian Davis ;

H. 46. An act to change the name of Willis Peavey and constitute him heir-at-law of David W. Chaffee and Susan H. Chaffee ;

H. 70. An act to change the name of John O'Brien ;

H. 93. An act altering the name of Walter Herbert Dunmore ;

H. 137. An act to change the name of Harriett Skinner to Harriett Gladding ;

H. 159. An act changing the name of George Orville Foskett to George Orville Ford ;

H. 176. An act changing the name of Myrtie May Naylor to Myrtie May Fletcher ;

H. 191. An act constituting Laura V. Smith heir-at-law of Joseph V. Smith ;

H. 198. An act altering the name of Carroll Franklin Keeler to Carroll Franklin Schoolcraft ;

And have refused to pass the same in concurrence.

The Senate have passed a bill entitled

S. 61. An act to amend section forty-four of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, in relation to jailors' fees ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Senate bill entitled

S. 61. An act to amend section forty-four, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, in relation to jailors' fees ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Park, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 72. An act to protect the rights of married women ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 35. An act to pay the register of the probate court for the district of Rutland, the sum therein named ;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill entitled

H. 243. An act authorizing the completion of the probate records for the district of Rutland, and to pay the register for completing the same ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Burt, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 172. An act relating to the validity of grand lists ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 170. An act in addition to and amendment of chapter eighty-three, title twenty-six, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of assessment and collection of taxes" ;

Reported adversely to its passage.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Clark, of Poultney, moved to amend the bill,

First, In section one, line four, by inserting after the word "State," the words, *whose capital stock is divided into shares*.

Secondly, In line twelve, by inserting after the word "paid," the words, *or agreed to be paid*.

Thirdly, In section three, line four, by inserting after the word "April," the words, *in each year*.

Fourthly, By adding to said section the following words : *and shall also certify the market value for the month preceding the said first day of April, the market value of such shares of stock, if such value can be ascertained, which certificates provided for by the provisions of this act, shall be verified upon oath*.

Fifthly, In section seven, line fourteen, by striking therefrom the word "them," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *like taxes in other cases*.

Sixthly, By striking therefrom section fourteen.

Which several motions to amend were respectively agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Prout moved to amend the bill,

First, In section thirteen, by adding thereto the following words: provided, however, that the repeal of the foregoing sections shall in no way affect any suit now pending, or in any way impair the rights of any person or party which may have accused, or may exist under the provisions of said sections, or part of sections so repealed.

Secondly, In section thirteen, line five, by inserting after the word, "Statutes," the words, and all other acts or parts of acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Which several motions to amend were respectively agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Roberts moved that the bill be ordered to lie;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Prout moved that the vote whereby the House agreed to the amendment fifthly moved by Mr. Clark, of Poultney, be reconsidered;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be amended as fifthly moved by Mr. Clark, of Poultney? it was decided in the negative.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Prout moved further to amend the bill in section seven, by striking out all thereof after the word, "paid" in line nine, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: *provided, however, that such share-holders in the several corporations mentioned in this act, shall not be assessed or required to pay town, highway, or school district taxes on the shares of the capital stock they shall own in such corporations.*

The question being, Shall the amendment moved by Mr. Prout be agreed to? on motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, it was

Ordered that the bill be ordered to lie, and that the Clerk procure three hundred copies thereof printed, together with the pending amendment, for use of the House.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate, Senate bill entitled

S. 80. An act to provide for the repairs of highways.

Mr. Rounds, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill entitled

H. 244. An act in amendment of an act for organizing the militia, approved November 2, 1864;

Recommending its passage; whereupon said bill was read the first and second time, and the question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? on motion of Mr. Rounds, it was

Ordered to lie and be printed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred as follows:

By Mr. Mason, of Readsboro,

H. 245. An act to prevent injury to public highways;
To the Committee on Roads.

By Mr. Brigham,

H. 246. An act to pay E. B. Sawyer the sum therein mentioned;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Bill,

H. 247. An act to enable agents to procure unadulterated liquors for medicinal purposes;
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Merrifield,

H. 248. An act for the better observance of the Lord's Day;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Spafford,

H. 249. An act relating to the payment of soldiers who served in Gen. Hancock's Corps;
To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Marsh,

H. 250. An act to amend section thirteen of chapter forty-seven, title fifteen, of the General Statutes;
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, it was

Ordered that the Clerk be directed to return to the Senate, Senate bill entitled

S. 80. An act to provide for the repairs of highways.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,
Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Nov. 12, 1866. }
HON. J. W. STEWART,

Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR : I herewith enclose the seventeenth annual report of the National Life Insurance Company, to the Legislature of Vermont.

Your obedient Servant,

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

(For Report see Appendix.)

Mr. Brigham, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 225. An act in amendment of section forty of the General Statutes, relating to the collection of taxes ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Prout, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 164. An act to provide for the drainage of peat, muck and marl beds ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

On motion of Mr. Wheelock, engrossed bill entitled

H. 167. An act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of district schools in certain cases ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill pass ? Mr. Smith, of Ferrisburgh, moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend in section one, lines nine, eleven and thirteen, by striking therefrom the word "shall," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *may* ;

Which motion was agreed to. Whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Smith, of Ferrisburgh, as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass ? Mr. Marvin moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions further to amend in section one, line nine, by inserting after the word "district," the words, *and upon hearing of the parties* ;

Which motion was agreed to. Whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Marvin as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Cooper,

H. 251. An act to protect fish in Beach's fish pond ;
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Wood,

H. 252. An act to tax dogs ;
To the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Hill,

H. 253. An act authorizing the correction of errors in the grand list ;

By Mr. Foster, of Shrewsbury,

H. 254. An act in amendment of section thirty-eight of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of salaries, fees, etc." ;
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, House bill entitled

H. 174. An act directing the sentence of prisoners to be so regulated as to bring their discharge in the summer ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, the joint resolutions, offered by Mr. Cheney, relating to the subject of reconstruction of the rebellious states, was taken up.

The question being, Shall the substitute resolutions, reported by the committee, be adopted on the part of the House? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved to amend the first resolution in line there, by inserting after the word "rebellion," the words *justice and* ;

Which motion was agreed to. .

The question being, Shall the substitute resolution, as amended, be adopted on the part of the House? Mr. Cheney moved to amend by inserting next after the preamble thereto, the following words :

And, whereas, the Chief Executive of the nation, as if in complicity with the rebel leaders, and their sycophantic dupes in the North, who remain as heretofore the supple tools of their southern masters, is endeavoring to force upon Congress and the people a policy of reconstruction, which a majority of them believe to be both unjust and unwise, and which they utterly repudiate and condemn, inasmuch as it does not exclude leading traitors from office, and gives to the rebellious states representation in Congress, for a portion of their population to whom they deny the right of suffrage; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, that our duty to ourselves, our loyal brethren of the South and to mankind, and a decent respect to the memory of our patriot dead, demand that we indignantly refuse to accept defeat as the result of victory over treason and rebellion, by thus placing the government of the nation again at the mercy of that confederation of northern and southern politicians who have heretofore misruled and betrayed it.

Also, by adding to said substitute resolutions the following: *Resolved, that the Clerk of the House be directed to transmit five copies of this joint resolution to the Governor of each state and territory in the United States, and that Vermont respectfully invites from each, like expression of sentiment through their respective legislatures;*

Which motions to amend were severally disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the substitute resolutions, as amended, be adopted on the part of the House? Mr. Marvin moved to amend in the second resolution, in line three, by inserting after the word "who," the words, *under God;*

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the substitute resolutions, as amended, be adopted on the part of the House? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the resolution passed by the House on Friday last, providing for evening sessions, on and after Monday evening, November 12, 1866, be and the same is hereby rescinded;

Which was read, considered, and adopted.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, it was

Ordered, that House bill entitled

H. 125. An act in amendment of sections one and six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, entitled "Of common schools and school laws";

Be made the special order for to-morrow morning at ten and one-half o'clock.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Corbin,

H. 255. An act to amend an act organizing the militia, approved November 16, 1864;

On motion of Mr. Corbin, to the General Committee.

By Mr. Tilden,

H. 256. An act to authorize the towns of Barre, Williamstown, Brookfield, Randolph, Bethel, Chelsea, Washington and Orange to raise money to build a railroad;

By Mr. Whitney,

H. 257. An act in amendment of section forty of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, relating to the fees of jurors before a justice of the peace;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Carter, the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

The General Committee, to whom were referred bills of the following titles, reported thereon as follows :

By Mr. Kellogg,

H. 206. An act restoring William T. Ellison to his legal rights and privileges;

H. 235. An act in addition to an act entitled "An act to protect fish in Otter Creek";

In favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

By Mr. Kellogg,

H. 231. An act to protect fish in Taft's pond ;

H. 251. An act to protect fish in Beach's fish pond ;

Adversely to their passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bills was severally refused.

By Mr. Kellogg, for

H. 190. An act to protect the fish in Shelburne pond ;

A substitute bill entitled

H. 258. An act to protect fish in Shelburne pond ;

Recommending its passage ; whereupon said recommended substitute bill was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 114. An act in amendment of section one of an act entitled "An act in relation to common schools," approved November 9, 1860 ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom were referred bills of the following titles, reported thereon, as follows :

By Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury,

H. 197. An act to amend section five of chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes ;

H. 203. An act in amendment of section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes ;

By Mr. Prout.

H. 211. An act for the support of paupers in certain cases ;

By Mr. Brigham,

H. 204. An act to amend section ten of chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes ;

Adversely to their passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bills was severally refused.

By Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury,

S. 42. An act to amend section fourteen of chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes, relative to the appointment of guardians for insane persons and spendthrifts ;

In favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

By Mr. Prout,

H. 209. An act in addition to chapter seventy of the General Statutes, entitled " Of divorce, alimony, custody of children, also of children of persons living separate " ;

By Mr. Brigham,

H. 48. An act to amend section four of chapter nine of the General Statutes, relating to the reports of certain officers ;

In favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

By Mr. Brigham,

H. 26. An act in amendment of section forty-four, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to jailors' fees ;

In favor of its passage, when amended in section one, lines twelve, thirteen and fourteen, by striking therefrom the words, " three dollars per week from the first day of May to the first day of November, and from the first day of November to the first day of May."

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

By Mr. Brigham,

H. 192. An act to amend section four of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, in relation to the fees for registration ;

In favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line six, by striking therefrom the word " five," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *ten*.

Also, by inserting after the word " cents," the words *per folio*.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, from the General Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 69. An act to amend section forty-six, chapter twenty, of the General Statutes, in relation to Commissioner of the Insane ;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill in section one, line ten, by striking therefrom the word "two," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *one*.

The question being, Will the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill, as recommended by the committee? it was decided in the negative.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Brigham, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 50. An act to establish courts of insolvency, and to provide for the equal distribution of the effects of insolvent debtors ;

Reported for a majority of the committee, expressing no opinion on the merits thereof, but for a minority, adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Rounds moved that the vote by which the House refused the third reading of Senate bill entitled

S. 69. An act to amend section forty-six, chapter twenty, of the General Statutes, in relation to Commissioner of the Insane ;

Be reconsidered ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be read the third time? on motion of Mr. Rounds, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Rounds offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the use of Representatives' Hall be granted to Rev. D. A. Mack, late Chaplain in the old Vermont brigade, this (Tuesday) evening, for the purpose of delivering a lecture in behalf of the orphan and friendless children of Vermont ;

Which was read, considered, and adopted on the part of the House.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives, that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 9. An act in amendment of section nine of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes ;

H. 23. An act in amendment of sections thirty-three and thirty-five of chapter seventy-two of the General Statutes ;

H. 36. An act laying a tax on Orange county ;

H. 53. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;

H. 56. An act to incorporate the Weathersfield and Claremont Railroad Company ;

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Morgan Academy ;

H. 58. An act to amend sections one and seven of an act incorporating the inhabitants of the first school district in Rockingham, for the purpose therein mentioned ;

H. 71. An act to extend an act to authorize the removal of obstructions from Passumpsic River ;

H. 91. An act construing section five of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes, in relation to estates of homestead ;

H. 102. An act in addition to chapter one hundred and twelve of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against the lives and persons of individuals ;

H. 105. An act to incorporate the American Marble Company ;

H. 119. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act to incorporate the Village of Rutland, approved November 9, 1865" ;

H. 121. An act for the relief of Charles W. Bickford ;

H. 131. An act to incorporate the Weston Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company ;

H. 134. An act regulating the fees of persons acting under the authority of the probate court, and in amendment of section fifty of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes ;

H. 139. An act to authorize the listers of the town of Fletcher to correct the list of said town for the year 1866, and to legalize the taxes assessed on the list of said town for the years 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 148. An act to incorporate the Powers Marble Company ;

H. 151. An act to incorporate the Leicester Marble Company ;

H. 154. An act instructing the Committee to make up the Grand List to correct the list of the county of Washington for the year 1865, and for other purposes ;

H. 171. An act to incorporate the Vermont State Ecclectic Medical Society.

Senate bill entitled

S. 24. An act relating to probate fees and salaries ;

Was taken up as a special order for this time. The question being, Shall the bill pass in concurrence? it was decided in the affirmative.

House bill entitled

H. 125. An act in amendment of sections one and six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, entitled "Of common schools and school laws";

Was taken up as a special order for this time. The question being, Shall the bill be amended as thirdly recommended by the committee? on motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, the bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for this afternoon at two and one-half o'clock.

House bill entitled

H. 21. An act providing for the erection of a monument over the grave of Thomas Chittenden ;

Was taken up as a special order for this time. The question being, Shall the bill be amended as recommended by the committee? it was decided in the negative.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? on motion of Mr. Miner, the bill was

Ordered to lie.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 174. An act directing the sentence of prisoners to be so regulated as to bring their discharge in summer ;

H. 243. An act authorizing the completion of the probate records for the district of Rutland, and to pay the register for completing the same.

Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 181. An act to incorporate the West Rutland Centre School ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section two, line five, by inserting after the word "corporation," the words, *under the authority of this act* ;

Also, in section five, line five, by inserting after the word

"corporation," the words, *residing within the limits of school district number seven, as now established.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Hathaway, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :
To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have this day duly examined the following bills, and have presented the same to the Governor for his approval, viz :

H. 77. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden for the year 1866 ;

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers ;

H. 94. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodbury for the year 1866 ;

H. 100. An act in addition to section twenty-five of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes relating to the attachment of property by copy ;

H. 126. An act for the preservation of fish in the waters therein named ;

H. 142. An act to incorporate the Weston Hotel Company ;

H. 145. An act to authorize the town of Sharon to purchase the water privilege and dam across White river, or aid in completing the dam ;

H. 162. An act to incorporate the American Slate Company ;

H. 168. An act to incorporate the Eureka Marble Company ;

H. 169. An act to incorporate the Rutland County Peat Company ;

H. 180. An act to incorporate the Excelsior Marble Company ;

H. 184. An act changing the corporate name of Troy Conference Academy.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard, engrossed bill entitled H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Corbin moved that the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend, by striking therefrom sections one, two and three, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 3. No person shall be allowed to take any shad, white-fish or salmon in any of the waters of this State, for the term of five years, except in the waters of Lake Champlain, and no shad or white-fish shall be taken in said waters of Lake Champlain in the months of September, October and November, for the term of five years from the date of the passage of this act;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Cleveland, of Brookfield, moved that the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend in section one, by adding thereto the words, *provided the entire expense incurred under this act shall not exceed five hundred dollars;*

Also, in section three, line seven, by inserting after the word "laws," the words, *respecting the waters tributary to, and flowing from the lakes and streams of this State.*

The House agreeing thereto, the Speaker designated Mr. Cleveland, of Brookfield, as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? Mr. Hathaway moved that the bill be dismissed;

Which motion was disagreed to—yeas 73, nays 126.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Butterfield, were taken, and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Allen,
Baird,
Bartlett of Morgan,
Bartlett of Plainfield,
Bemis,
Benson,
Bill,
Blaisdell,
Bliss,
Bragg,
Brigham,
Chandler,

Coffrin,
Coleman,
Cook,
Corbin,
Corliss of Richford,
Cristy,
Curtis of Somerset,
Dana,
Fitts,
Foster of Calais,
Gray,
Green,

Griffith,
Grover,
Hale,
Hamilton,
Hathaway,
Hill,
Hinsdell,
Holmes,
Hopkins,
Horton,
Hubbard of Whiting,
Ketcham,

Ladd of Enosburgh,	Morgan,	Snyder,
Lamb,	Nichols,	Somers,
Lane of Cornwall,	Noble,	Spafford,
Lane of Derby,	Parmelee,	Stevens,
Learnard,	Pattee,	Stickney,
Leland,	Potter,	Swinington,
Lyon,	Purinton,	Thomas,
Martin of Montgomery,	Randall,	Town,
Martin of Sheldon,	Roberts,	Tryon,
Marvin,	Rogers,	Waite,
Mason of Ira,	Sanborn of Peacham,	Wells of Athens,
McClary,	Smith of Guilford,	Whitney of Wilmington—73.
McIntosh,		

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Andrews,	Freeman,	Root,
Appleton,	Gibb,	Ross of Brandon,
Armstrong,	Gibbs,	Ross of St. Johnsbury,
Ayres,	Gilson,	Rounds,
Ball of Granville,	Gleason,	Ruggles,
Ball of Springfield,	Goss,	Sanborn of Vershire,
Barron,	Hard,	Shedd of Hardwick,
Barton,	Harris,	Shedd of West Windsor,
Benton of Guildhall,	Hay,	Shepard,
Benton of Waltham,	Herrick,	Sherman,
Birchard,	Howard,	Simonds,
Bowker,	Hubbard of Stockbridge,	Skinner,
Bradley,	Irish,	Slocum,
Brock,	Johnson of Mendon,	Smith of Bridport,
Brown,	Johnson of Rockingham,	Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Bullard,	Jones,	Smith of Roxbury,
Burton,	Joslyn,	Smith of Strafford,
Butterfield,	Judevine,	Soper,
Buzzell,	Kelley,	Spaulding,
Cady,	Kellogg,	Stewart,
Carpenter of Pawlet,	Loveland,	Stone,
Carpenter of Randolph,	Mann,	Taft,
Carter,	Marsh,	Taylor,
Chamberlin,	Martin of Marshfield,	Tenney,
Cheney,	Mason of Readsboro,	Tilden,
Claffin,	McQuivey,	Tolman,
Clark of Addison,	Merrifield,	Tripp,
Cleveland of Braintree,	Miles,	Van Sicken,
Cleveland of Brookfield,	Nelson,	Walker of Dummerston,
Cobb,	Niles,	Walker of Ludlow,
Converse,	Nott,	Warren,
Davis,	Nourse,	Webster,
Deming,	Noyes,	Weeks,
Dunn,	Palmer,	Welch,
Earle,	Paul,	Weston of Essex,
Fairman,	Pease,	Wheelock,
Fletcher,	Phillips,	White of Shelburne,
Foster of Montpelier,	Pierce,	Whitney of Marlboro,
Foster of Pownal,	Prout,	Wiley,
Foster of Shrewsbury,	Richardson of Waitsfield,	Willard,
Foster of Walden,	Richardson of Westford,	Wood,
	Robinson,	Wyman—126.

So the House refused to dismiss the bill.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that his Excellency, the Governor, has informed the Senate, that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the Senate, of the following titles:

S. 19. An act to amend section two, chapter seventy-

seven, of the General Statutes, relating to the standard weight of grain ;

S. 25. An act to pay John Lonergan the sum therein mentioned ;

S. 29. An act to protect fish in Hermitage pond in Topsham ;

S. 48. An act to incorporate the Vermont Manufacturing Company ;

S. 54. An act to incorporate the Adams Slate and Tile Company ;

S. 56. An act laying a tax on the county of Bennington ;

S. 57. An act to amend an act entitled " An act incorporating and establishing the Norwich University at Norwich, in Windsor county " ;

S. 60. An act to amend section thirty-nine of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, in relation to the fees of grand and petit jurors before the county court ;

S. 62. An act to incorporate the Woodstock Academy of Natural Sciences ;

S. 70. An act to incorporate the Northfield Slate and Tile Company.

The Senate have considered a joint resolution from the House of Representatives, authorizing the purchase of Carpenter's picture of the first reading of the Emancipation Proclamation,

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 25. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Berkshire for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 88. An act to incorporate the Prospect Hill Aqueduct Company ;

H. 89. An act in amendment to an act entitled " An act to incorporate the Village of Fairhaven " ;

H. 95. An act to incorporate the Starksboro Copper Mining Company ;

H. 128. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia ;

H. 136. An act to protect the fish in Hall's Pond in Newbury ;

H. 155. An act constituting Henry Clinton Conant heir-at-law of Henry C. and Huldah P. Hunt ;

H. 173. An act to incorporate the Northfield Hotel Company;

H. 178. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Dellwood Cemetery Association at Manchester";

H. 183. An act to incorporate the Sharon Mill Company;

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Marble and Marbleized Slate Company;

H. 196. An act to incorporate the Vermont and Boston Gold Mining Company;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 52. An act in addition to chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, relating to railroads and railroad corporations;

H. 130. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Sunderland;

H. 160. An act to incorporate the Allen Kerosene Oil Safe Company;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles:

S. 45. An act granting certain privileges to the villages of Bennington and North Bennington;

S. 55. An act entitled "An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the village of St. Albans," approved November 21, 1864;

S. 65. An act to incorporate the New York, New England and Montreal Express Company;

S. 77. An act to pay certain State officers;

S. 78. An act amending "An act to incorporate the Vermont State Agricultural Society," approved November 18, 1856;

S. 84. An act to incorporate the Eolian Hotel Company;

S. 89. An act ceding to the United States the exclusive jurisdiction over sites for custom-houses;

S. 98. An act relating to the times of holding the county court in Orleans county;

S. 100. An act for the regulation and government of the Vermont Reform School;

S. 102. An act relating to the time of holding the county court in Caledonia county ;

S. 103. An act to appropriate money for the State Library ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The Senate have adopted joint resolutions as follows :

A joint resolution relating to the books and records in the office of the Secretary of State ;

A joint resolution authorizing the Sergeant-at-Arms to build a suit of shelves in rooms number eleven and twelve,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have considered a joint resolution, granting the use of the Representatives' Hall to Rev. D. A. Mack,

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have adopted a joint resolution, granting the use of the Representatives' Hall to H. H. Garnett,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 81. An act to establish a State Normal School ;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill , entitled

H. 259. An act to establish a State Normal School ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bills entitled

H. 52. An act in addition to chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, relating to railroads and railroad corporations ;

H. 160. An act to incorporate the Allen Kerosene Oil Safe Company ;

H. 130. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Sunderland ;

And concurred therein.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 239. An act to authorize the towns of Woodstock, Sherburne, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Pomfret, Hartland and Hartford, to raise money for building a railroad ;

Reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommending that the bill be referred to the members of the House from the towns named therein.

Whereupon the discharge asked was granted, and a reference made as recommended.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 45. An act granting certain privileges to the villages of Bennington and North Bennington ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 55. An act in addition to an act, entitled " An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the village of St. Albans," approved November 21, 1864 ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 78. An act amending an act to incorporate the Vermont State Agricultural Society, approved November 18, 1856 ;

To the Committee on Agriculture.

S. 84. An act to incorporate the Eolian Hotel Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 89. An act ceding to the United States the exclusive jurisdiction over sites for custom-houses ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 100. An act for the regulation and government of the Vermont Reform School ;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 98. An act relating to the times of holding the county court in Orleans county ;

To the members of the House from Orleans county.

S. 102. An act relating to the times of holding the county court in Caledonia county ;

To the members of the House from Caledonia county.

S. 103. An act to appropriate money for the State Library ;

To the Committee on the Library.

S. 77. An act to pay certain State officers ;

To the Committee of Ways and Means.

S. 65. An act to incorporate the New York, New England and Montreal Express Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the use of the Hall of the House be granted to H. H. Garnett, on Thursday evening of this week, for an address on the subject of the condition and needs of the colored men ;

Was read, and adopted in concurrence.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the Sergeant-at-Arms be authorized to build a suit of shelves in rooms number eleven and twelve in the State House, similar to those in number nine, to receive and keep the duplicate volumes from the State Library, the Secretary of State's Office and the Historical Room. And the State Librarian shall have charge thereof equally as though said shelves were in the State Library ;

Was read, and adopted in concurrence.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows ;

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the Secretary of State be directed to make a descriptive catalogue of the books and records in his office, and report the same to the General Assembly at its next session ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Cleaveland, from the select committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 81. An act fixing the times of holding the county court in the county of Orange, and in amendment of section twenty-six of chapter thirty of the General Statutes ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 51. An act amending section forty-four, chapter seventy, of the General Statutes, relating to proceedings in divorce cases ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the Grand List, to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 186. An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of assessment and collection of taxes";

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by adding thereto the following :

Sec. 2. Whenever any person liable to taxation shall, by reason of absence, or any other cause, be unable to disclose on oath, as required in Sec. 1 of this act, such person shall be assessed by the listers in such sum as they shall deem just and equitable, and all errors may be corrected by the listers, on oath of the party so appearing at the time of the sitting of the listers for the hearing and deciding of appeals.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Pease, from the Committee on Agriculture to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 165. An act to encourage wheat growing in Vermont;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

On motion of Mr. Dunn, it was

Ordered, that the Committee on Education be discharged from the further consideration of Senate bill entitled

S. 100. An act for the regulation and government of the Vermont Reform School;

And that said bill be referred to the select committee raised on that subject.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, from the select committee raised on so much of the Governor's message as relates to the State normal school, reported, recommending the passage of House bill entitled

H. 260. An act regulating the duties of the Board of Education, and the examination of teachers;

Which was read the first and second time, and the question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? on motion of Mr. Walker, it was

Ordered to lie, and the Clerk directed to procure the same printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Rounds, Senate bill entitled

S. 69. An act to amend section forty-six, chapter twenty, of the General Statutes, in relation to Commissioner of the Insane ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? Mr. Rounds moved that the vote whereby the House refused to propose to the Senate to amend the bill as recommended by the committee, be reconsidered ;

Which was agreed to.

The question recurring, Will the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill as recommended by the committee? it was decided in the affirmative ; whereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment.

On motion of Mr. Bullard, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures, and prayer by the Chaplain.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 26. An act in amendment of section forty-four, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, in relation to jailors' fees ;

H. 48. An act to amend section four of chapter nine of the General Statutes, relating to reports of certain officers ;

H. 181. An act to incorporate the West Rutland Centre School ;

H. 192. An act to amend section four of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, in relation to fees for registration ;

H. 186. An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of assessment and collection of taxes" ;

H. 206. An act restoring William T. Ellison to his legal rights and privileges ;

H. 209. An act in addition to chapter seventy of the General Statutes, entitled "Of divorce, alimony, custody of children, also of children of persons living separate";

H. 235. An act in addition to an act entitled "An act to protect fish in Otter Creek";

H. 258. An act to protect fish in Shelburne pond;

H. 259. An act to establish a State Normal School.

Mr. Hubbard, from the General Committee to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 222. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Coventry;

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Guilford for the years 1863, 1864, 1865 and 1866;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Brigham, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 28. An act authorizing the Mt. Mansfield Hotel Company to issue bonds;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill in section one, by adding thereto the following words: *provided, however, this act shall only authorize said company to issue such notes or bonds for the purpose of raising money to pay the debts of said company, and for no other purpose.*

The House agreeing thereto, the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment.

Mr. Pierce, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 240. An act to amend section one of an act entitled "An act to authorize the town of Woodstock to raise money for building a railroad";

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 182. An act to pay John G. Putnam the sum therein mentioned;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 188. An act to incorporate the Village of Ludlow ;

H. 218. An act to incorporate the Lunenburg Starch Company ;

H. 219. An act to incorporate the Free Press Association ;

H. 236. An act to incorporate the Smith Soapstone Company ;

H. 237. An act to incorporate the Taftsville Cemetery Association ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally.

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Grover, from the same committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 76. An act to incorporate the Brandon Reservoir Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Park, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 227. An act in amendment of section twenty-four of chapter thirty-six of the General Statutes, and section one of number thirty-one of the acts of A. D. 1864 ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Park, from the same committee to whom was referred

H. 228. An act in amendment of section thirty-one of chapter thirty of the General Statutes, relating to the affirmation of a justice's judgment ;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill entitled

H. 261. An act in relation to appeals from judgments of justices of the peace in civil cases ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Park, from the select committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 63. An act fixing the salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Waite, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Harris offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, declare the respective Houses over which they preside, adjourned without day at eight o'clock A. M., on Saturday, the 17th of November ;

Which was read, and the question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, it was

Ordered to lie.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor, to inform the House of Representatives, that he has approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 77. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chittenden for the year 1866 ;

H. 84. An act to pay certain State officers ;

H. 94. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodbury for the year 1866 ;

H. 100. An act in addition to section twenty-five of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes relating to the attachment of property by copy ;

H. 126. An act for the preservation of fish in the waters therein named ;

H. 142. An act to incorporate the Weston Hotel Company ;

H. 145. An act to authorize the town of Sharon to purchase the water privilege and dam across White river, or aid in completing the dam ;

H. 162. An act to incorporate the American Slate Company ;

H. 168. An act to incorporate the Eureka Marble Company ;

H. 169. An act to incorporate the Rutland County Peat Company ;

H. 180. An act to incorporate the Excelsior Marble Company ;

H. 184. An act changing the corporate name of Troy Conference Academy.

House bill entitled

H. 125. An act in amendment of sections one and six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, entitled "Of common schools and school laws";

Was taken up as unfinished business of yesterday's session.

The question being, Shall the bill be amended as thirdly recommended by the committee? Mr. Park moved that the bill be ordered to lie and be made a special order for Saturday morning next, at eleven o'clock ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be amended as thirdly recommended by the committee? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the bill as amended be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Burt moved that the bill be

Ordered to lie.

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill as amended be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury moved that the bill be amended, by striking therefrom section two ;

Which motion was agreed to, and said bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered a joint resolution from the House relating to the subject of reconstruction, And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 3. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Hardwick for the year 1864 ;

H. 76. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Greensboro ;

H. 86. An act in amendment of section two, chapter one hundred and eighteen, of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against public health ;

H. 106. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Morgan for the years 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 120. An act to incorporate the Montpelier and St. Johnsbury Railroad Company ;

H. 156. An act to incorporate the Granville Vermont Lumber Company ;

H. 193. An act to incorporate Cobb's Cornet Band of Bridgewater ;

H. 200. An act enlarging the powers of school district number four, in Middlebury ;

H. 223. An act to amend the charter of the Northfield Cemetery Association ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

H. 113. An act in amendment of section one of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Newbury Medicinal Spring Company," approved November 11, 1862 ;

H. 117. An act in amendment of sections two and three of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to the registry and returns of births, marriages and deaths ;

H. 179. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, approved November 9, 1865 ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The Senate have also considered House bill entitled

H. 144. An act in relation to the powers and duties of high bailiffs ;

And do not concur in its passage.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 18. An act to amend section seventeen, chapter eighty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of insurance companies" ;

S. 79. An act to enable certain towns to establish central schools ;

S. 80. An act to provide for the repairs of highways ;

S. 82. An act in amendment of section one of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, and relating to the Board of Education ;

S. 85. An act to incorporate the Union Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, of Rutland ;

S. 86. An act relating to the collection and payment of town taxes ;

S. 87. An act to incorporate the East Dorset Cemetery Association ;

S. 90. An act providing that towns may elect a collector of taxes ;

S. 97. An act relating to the printing of the grand list ;

S. 101. An act to provide for the printing of the Directory of the General Assembly.

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have adopted a joint resolution relating to grand list blanks,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The Senate have considered the House proposals of amendment to Senate bills entitled

S. 28. An act authorizing the Mount Mansfield Hotel Company to issue bonds ;

S. 69. An act to amend section forty-six, chapter twenty, of the General Statutes, in relation to Commissioner of the Insane ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :

To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval, viz :

H. 25. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Berkshire for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 52. An act in addition to chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, relating to railroads and railroad corporations ;

H. 88. An act to incorporate the Prospect Hill Aqueduct Company ;

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H. 196. An act to incorporate the Vermont and Boston Gold Mining Company.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 112. An act construing and amending the listing laws of this State;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Marvin, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 31. An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill entitled

H. 262. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Park, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 101. An act to authorize the town of Bristol to build a jail ;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill entitled

H. 263. An act empowering incorporated villages and towns to have and maintain lock-ups or jails ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the Grand List to whom was referred a bill entitled

H. 132. An act for the repeal of an act entitled " An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled 'Grand list' " ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Park, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 30. An act relating to the limitation of actions against banks whose charters have expired ;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill entitled

H. 264. An act relating to the redemption of bank notes ;

Which was read the first and second time, and .

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Marsh, for the members of the House from the county of Windsor to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 88. An act relating to the times of holding the Supreme Court in the county of Windsor, and in amendment of section seven, chapter thirty, of the General Statutes ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; Whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Paul, for the members of the House to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 239. An act to authorize the towns of Woodstock, Sherburne, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Pomfret, Hartland and Hartford, to raise money for building a railroad ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Park, from the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 11. An act declaring the assent of this State to a certain article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States ;

Reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, inasmuch as the object of said bill had been secured by the adoption of a joint resolution ; whereupon the discharge asked for was granted.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bills entitled

H. 113. An act in amendment of section one of an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the Newbury Medicinal Spring Company," approved November 11, 1862 ;

H. 117. An act in amendment of sections two and three of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to the registry and returns of births, marriages and deaths ;

H. 179. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, approved November 9, 1865 ;

And concurred therein.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Clerk of the House be directed to append to the present grand list blanks, the legal form of the certificate of the oath ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 18. An act to amend section seventeen, chapter eighty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of insurance companies" ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 79. An act to enable certain towns to establish central schools ;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 80. An act to provide for the repairs of highways ;
To the Committee on Roads.

S. 82. An act in amendment of section one of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, and relating to the Board of Education ;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 85. An act to incorporate the Union Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, of Rutland;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 86. An act relating to the collection of town taxes;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

S. 87. An act to incorporate the East Dorset Cemetery Association;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 90. An act providing that towns may elect collectors of taxes;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 97. An act relating to the printing of the grand list;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

S. 101. An act to provide for the printing of the Directory of the General Assembly;

To the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Rounds, House bill entitled

H. 244. An act in amendment of an act for organizing the militia, approved November 22, 1864;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Ross of St. Johnsbury moved to amend the bill in section six, by striking out all thereof after the word "direct," in line seven;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Rounds moved that the bill be

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Burt moved that the bill be dismissed;

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Bullard offered the following joint resolution:

WHEREAS, There are hundreds of orphan and friendless children among us, many of whom have been made so by the recent terrible conflict in crushing armed treason; and

WHEREAS, The only provision made by the State for this class of dependents is to place them with the aged, profane and idiotic, where they are stigmatized as town paupers, and brought under influence wholly unfavorable to their intellectual or moral development, and well calculated to increase the inmates of paupers' homes and State Prison convicts; and

WHEREAS, The strength of the State depends upon, and is in proportion, to the moral purity of those who compose it :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That his Excellency, the Governor, be requested to appoint a commissioner, whose duty it shall be to gather facts and statistics in regard to the number, age, physical, intellectual and moral condition of the homeless and friendless children of Vermont, (special attention being directed to those whose fathers have fallen in the defense of their cuntry,) who shall be required to report thereon at the next session of the Legislatnre, for the purpose of ascertaining what ought to be done for the amelioration of their condition ;

Which was read. The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Brigham, it was

Ordered to lie, and the Clerk directed to procure it printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, House bill entitled

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? on motion of Ross, of St. Johnsbury, said bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for to-morrow afternoon, at three o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Wyman, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary, instructed by resolution to inquire into the expediency of a general law for the correction of errors in town grand lists,

Reported that in the opinion of said committee no further legislation on that subject is necessary, and asking to be discharged from a further consideration thereof; whereupon the discharge asked for by the committee was granted.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 242. An act in addition to number thirty-two of the Acts of 1865, approved November 9, 1865, relating to fees of sheriffs and constables;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line nineteen, by inserting after the word "president," the words, *within the limits of this State*.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 166. An act to amend section twelve of chapter sixteen, of the General Statutes, relating to fire districts;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 253. An act authorizing the correction of errors in the grand list;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line three, by inserting after the word "made," the words, *in the additions and computations thereof*.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Rounds, from the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 127. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to organize the militia";

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Rounds, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 249. An act relating to the payment of soldiers who served in Gen. Hancock's Corps;

Reported adversely to its passage.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Spafford moved that the bill be

Ordered to lie,

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was re-committed, with certain recommendations of amendment, House bill entitled

H. 37. An act to amend section eighty-three, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, relating to the division of public money among school districts;

Reported, recommending the passage of a substitute bill entitled

H. 265. An act to amend sections eighty-three and eighty-six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the division of public money among school districts;

Which was read the first and second time. The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Cleaveland moved to amend the substitute bill,

First, by striking therefrom the title, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

An act relating to the division of public money among school districts, and in amendment of sections eighty-three and eighty-six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes.

Secondly, In section two, line three, by striking therefrom the words, "relating to the division of public money among fractional districts."

Thirdly, In section one, line twenty-six, by striking therefrom the word "two," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *three*.

Which motions to amend were severally agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Cleaveland moved further to amend the bill,

Fourthly, In section one, by striking out all after the

word "schools," in line seventeen, and the word "provided," in line twenty-one, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: *As prescribed in this chapter, and shall be obtained as follows: In districts where schools shall have been taught not less than twenty-four weeks, of five and one-half days to the week, or one hundred and thirty-two days, the average shall be formed by adding together the number of actual days attendance of each scholar, as shown by the record, and dividing the sum or aggregate attendance by the number of days the school has been kept within the preceding school year; the quotient to be the average of attendance required for such districts; and in districts where schools have been taught for a less time than one hundred and thirty-two days within the preceding school year, the average shall be obtained by dividing the aggregate, found as aforesaid, by one hundred and thirty-two, the quotient to be the average attendance required for such districts. And the money divided according to the provisions of this section shall be paid over under the direction of the selectment, to the treasurers of the several school districts.*

Fifthly, In section two, line fourteen, by inserting after the word "town," the words, *found as required by section eighty-three of this chapter, as amended.*

Sixthly, In section one, line four, by striking out the word "third," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *fourth*.

Seventhly, In section one, line thirteen, by striking out the words, "the aggregate," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *an average of*.

Eighthly, In section one, line sixteen, by striking therefrom the words, "such aggregate attendance to," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *which average of attendance shall*.

Ninthly, In section two, lines six, twelve, fourteen, twenty-two and twenty-four, by striking therefrom the word "aggregate," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *average of*.

The question being, Shall the bill be amended, as first moved by Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield? on motion of Mr. Rounds, said bills were

Ordered to lie, and the Clerk directed to procure to be printed the substitute bill recommended by the committee, together with the amendments thereto moved by Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield.

Mr. Converse, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 226. An act limiting the duration of the charters of banks existing under the laws of the State of Vermont ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Snyder, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 87. An act to incorporate the East Dorset Cemetery Association ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom were referred the following bills, reported thereon, as follows :

By Mr. Brigham,

H. 248. An act for the better observance of the Lord's Day ;

H. 257. An act in amendment of section forty of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, relating to the fees of jurors before a justice of the peace ;

Adversely to their passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bills was severally refused.

By Mr. Prout,

H. 201. An act granting certain powers to the Addison County Grammar School ;

In favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

By Mr. Prout,

H. 220. An act relating to the estates of homestead and in dower, and in amendment of section six of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes ;

In favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

By Mr. Prout,

S. 66. An act repealing chapter one hundred and nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of provisions relative to persons claimed as fugitive slaves, and to prevent kidnapping" ;

In favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

By Mr. Prout,

H. 256. An act to authorize the towns of Barre, Williamstown, Brookfield, Randolph, Bethel, Chelsea, Washington and Orange to raise money to build a railroad ;

Asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof ; whereupon the discharge asked for was granted.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time ? it was decided in the negative.

By Mr. Prout,

The joint resolution relating to the subject of impartial suffrage, offered by Mr. Pease ;

Adversely to its adoption.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House ? on motion of Mr. Hubbard, said resolution was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred Senate bills entitled

S. 77. An act to pay certain State officers ;

S. 101. An act to provide for the printing of the Directory of the General Assembly ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 14. An act relating to the selection of school-books ;

Reported, recommending the passage of House bill entitled

H. 266. An act relating to text-books, and in addition to section seven of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes ;

Which was read the first and second time, and the question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time ? on motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, said bill was

Ordered to lie, and the Clerk directed to procure the same printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Hubbard, from the General Committee to whom was referred the petition of S. N. Wood and others, for an act prohibiting the depositing of poison upon lands, reported, recommending the passage of House bill entitled

H. 267. An act to prevent the depositing of poison on

lands, and in amendment of section thirty, chapter one hundred and thirteen, of the General Statutes ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 152. An act to amend section fifty of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, in relation to the grand list ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line eight, by striking therefrom the words, "if required by said listers."

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Marvin, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 210. An act in relation to the grand list ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Marvin, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 143. An act directing listers to notify persons when assessed for money on hand, debts due, stock in trade, or manufactures ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking therefrom section two, and inserting in lieu thereof the following sections :

Sec. 2. Section four of an act entitled " An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, in relation to the grand list," approved November 22, 1864, is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of April, 1867.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Park, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 7. An act to amend section sixty-one, chapter eighty-nine, of the General Statutes ;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill as follows: in section one, line six, by striking therefrom the words, "three hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *one hundred and fifty*.

The House agreeing thereto, the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment.

Mr. Park, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 124. An act relating to the right of flowage;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line one, by inserting after the word "person," the words, *or persons*;

Also, in line two, by inserting after the word "mill," the words, *or manufactory*;

Also, in line five, by inserting after the word "mill," the words, *or manufactory*;

Also, in line eight, by inserting after the word "mill," the words, *or manufactory*;

Which recommendations of amendment were severally agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved to amend the bill in section two, line twenty-four, by striking therefrom the word "one," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *two*;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time?

Pending which, on motion of Mr. Park, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Brigham, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 140. An act fixing the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court;

Reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof; whereupon the discharge asked was granted.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Park, from the same committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 45. An act granting certain privileges to the villages of Bennington and North Bennington;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 189. An act to incorporate the Village of Cabot;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section nine, line sixteen, by inserting after the word "pay," the words, *sixty per cent. of;*

Also, in line seventeen, by inserting after the word "village," the words, *and the remaining forty per cent. of said tax to the town treasurer;*

Also, in line eighteen, by inserting after the word "said," the word *village.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 44. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Burlington," approved November 22, 1864;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill

First, In section two, line ten, by inserting after the word "for," the words, *the service of such warrants and.*

Secondly, In line eleven, by inserting after the word "as," the words, *sheriffs or constables are by law now entitled to, for the service of mittimuses, and in case of the sale of real or personal property, to satisfy the sums mentioned in such warrants, said city constables shall be entitled to the same fees as.*

Thirdly, In line twelve, by inserting after the word "to," the words, *for like services.*

Fourthly, By adding to section four the following proviso: *Provided this act is accepted by the legal voters of said city*

in the manner following, within twenty days after the passage of this act, the mayor of the city of Burlington shall cause the same to be published in the daily newspapers of said city for the space of two consecutive days, and shall warn the legal voters of said city to assemble at the city hall, to vote by ballot upon the acceptance or rejection of this act of amendment. At such meeting, those in favor of the acceptance of this act of amendment shall cast ballots upon which shall be inscribed or printed the word "yes," and those opposed to such acceptance, shall cast ballots, upon which shall be inscribed or printed the word "no." If a majority of said ballots shall be in favor of the acceptance of this act of amendment, the same shall then take effect; otherwise, the same shall be null and void. The warning for such meeting shall be published for six consecutive days in the said daily papers of said city, the last of which shall be at least ten days before such meeting.

Fifthly, In section two, line twenty-five, by inserting after the word "attorney," the words, in lieu of fees now provided by law.

The House agreeing thereto, said bill was

Ordered to be read the third time.

Pending the third reading, on motion of Mr. Rounds, it was

Ordered that the further third reading of this bill be, for the time being, suspended.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor, to inform the House of Representatives, that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 25. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Berkshire for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 52. An act in addition to chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, relating to railroads and railroad corporations ;

H. 88. An act to incorporate the Prospect Hill Aqueeduct Company ;

H. 89. An act in amendment to an act entitled " An act to incorporate the Village of Fairhaven " ;

H. 95. An act to incorporate the Starksboro Copper Mining Company ;

H. 128. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia ;

H. 130. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Sunderland ;

H. 136. An act to protect the fish in Hall's pond in Newbury ;

H. 155. An act constituting Henry Clinton Conant heir-at-law of Henry C. and Huldah P. Hunt ;

H. 160. An act to incorporate the Allen Kerosene Oil Safe Company ;

H. 173. An act to incorporate the Northfield Hotel Company ;

H. 178. An act in amendment of an act entitled " An act to incorporate the Dellwood Cemetery Association at Manchester " ;

H. 183. An act to incorporate the Sharon Mill Company ;

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Fairhaven Marble and Marbleized Slate Company ;

H. 196. An act to incorporate the Vermont and Boston Gold Mining Company.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 125. An act in amendment of sections one and six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, entitled " Of common schools and school laws " ;

H. 188. An act to incorporate the Village of Ludlow ;

H. 218. An act to incorporate the Lunenburg Starch Company ;

H. 219. An act to incorporate the Free Press Association ;

H. 222. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Coventry ;

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Guilford for the years 1863, 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 236. An act to incorporate the Smith Soapstone Company ;

H. 239. An act to authorize the towns of Woodstock, Sherburne, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Pomfret, Hartland and Hartford, to raise money for building a railroad ;

H. 240. An act to amend section one of an act entitled " An act to authorize the town of Woodstock to raise money for building a railroad " ;

H. 261. An act in relation to appeals from judgments of justices of the peace in civil cases ;

H. 262. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list ;

H. 264. An act relating to the redemption of bank notes.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 263. An act empowering incorporated villages and towns to have and maintain lock-ups or jails ;

Was read the third time. The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Armstrong moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend in section one, line ten, by striking out the article "a," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *one or more* ;

Which motion was agreed to ; whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Armstrong as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

House bill entitled

H. 170. An act in addition to and amendment of chapter eighty-three, title twenty-six, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of assessment and collection of taxes" ;

Was taken up as a special order at this time. The question being, Shall the bill be amended, as sixthly moved by Mr. Prout? on motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, said bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for to-morrow morning at ten and one-half o'clock.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :
To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval :

H. 3. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Hardwick for the year 1864 ;

H. 76. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Greensboro ;

H. 86. An act in amendment of section two, chapter one hundred and eighteen, of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against public health ;

H. 106. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Morgan for the years 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 113. An act in amendment of section one of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Newbury Medicinal Spring Company," approved November 11, 1862 ;

H. 117. An act in amendment of sections two and three of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to the registry and returns of births, marriages and deaths ;

H. 120. An act to incorporate the Montpelier and St. Johnsbury Railroad Company ;

H. 156. An act to incorporate the Granville Vermont Lumber Company ;

H. 179. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, approved November 9, 1865 ;

H. 193. An act to incorporate Cobb's Cornet Band of Bridgewater ;

H. 200. An act enlarging the powers of school district number four, in Middlebury ;

H. 223. An act to amend the charter of the Northfield Cemetery Association.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have considered House bills entitled

H. 26. An act in amendment of section forty-four, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, in relation to jailors' fees ;

H. 72. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Granville for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 99. An act to incorporate the Valley Cheese Manufacturing Company of Hinesburgh ;

H. 115. An act to incorporate Springfield Village ;

H. 149. An act to legalize certain proceedings of the town of Essex ;

H. 177. An act amending section sixty-five of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, relating to laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;

H. 181. An act to incorporate the West Rutland Centre School ;

H. 199. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Steamboat Company ;

H. 202. An act to incorporate the Munger Street Marble Company;

H. 206. An act restoring William T. Ellison to his legal rights and privileges;

H. 214. An act to change the name of the Winooski Marble Company;

H. 243. An act authorizing the completion of the probate records for the district of Rutland, and to pay the register for completing the same;

H. 259. An act to establish a State Normal School;
And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have also considered House bills entitled

H. 73. An act to legalize the vote of the town meeting of Shoreham, relative to bounties, held March 7, 1865;

H. 192. An act to amend section four of chapter seven-
teen of the General Statutes, in relation to fees for registra-
tion;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals
of amendment.

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House of
Representatives is requested.

The Senate have considered House bills entitled

H. 75. An act in amendment of section sixteen, chapter
eighty-three, of the General Statutes, entitled "Grand list";

H. 174. An act directing the sentence of prisoners to be
so regulated as to bring their discharge in the summer;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

The Senate have passed bills entitled:

S. 23. An act to incorporate the St. Albans Marble
Company;

S. 46. An act regulating the pay of State's attorneys;

S. 71. An act in addition to section fifteen of chapter
one of the General Statutes, entitled "Of elections";

S. 75. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to
amend an act to incorporate the village of Rutland, ap-
proved November 15, 1847," approved November 9, 1865;

S. 104. An act to authorize the towns of Woodstock,
Sherburne, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Pomfret, Hartland and
Hartford to raise money for building a railroad;

S. 108. An act assessing a tax on the county of Wash-
ington;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House of
Representatives is requested.

House bill entitled

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly;

Was taken up as a special order for this time. The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved to amend the bill in section one, line two, by striking therefrom the word "four," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *ten*;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Ball, of Springfield, moved to amend the bill in section two, line one, by striking therefrom the words "from its passage," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *January 1, 1867*;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Cleveland, of Brookfield, moved to amend the bill in section one, line four, by striking therefrom the word "hereafter";

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Rounds moved to amend the bill in section two, line two, by inserting after the word "for," the words, *each day's actual*;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. White, of Windsor, moved to amend the bill in section two, by adding thereto the following proviso: *Provided, however, that the number of days for which said member shall receive pay shall be limited to thirty, for each annual session*;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and the bill was

Ordered to be read the third time to-morrow afternoon—yeas 118, nays 90.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Rounds, were taken, and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Andrews,	Foster of Shrewsbury,	Paul,
Appleton,	Foster of Walden,	Pease,
Ayres,	Freeman,	Randall,
Baird,	Gibb,	Richardson of Waitsfield,
Barron,	Gleason,	Richardson of Westford,
Bartlett of Plainfield,	Goodsell,	Roberts,
Barton,	Greenbank,	Robie,
Bemis,	Griffith,	Robinson,
Benton of Guildhall,	Hale,	Ross of Brandon,
Bickford,	Hamilton,	Ross of St. Johnsbury,
Blaisdell,	Hinsdell,	Ruggles,
Bowker,	Horton,	Sanborn of Peacham,
Bradley,	Howard,	Sanborn of Vershire,
Brigham,	Hubbard of Whiting,	Shedd of West Windsor,
Brown,	Irish,	Shepard,
Bruce,	Johnson of Mendon,	Sherman,
Burton,	Joslyn,	Simonds,
Buzzell,	Judevine,	Slocum,
Cady,	Kelley,	Soper,
Carpenter of Pawlet,	Ketcham,	Spaulding,
Carter,	Lane of Cornwall,	Stevens,
Chamberlin,	Lane of Derby,	Stewart,
Cheney,	Learnard,	Stickney,
Claffin,	Leland,	Taft,
Clark of Addison,	Mann,	Tilden,
Cleaveland of Brookfield,	Marsh,	Tolman,
Cobb,	Martin of Marshfield,	Town,
Coffin,	Mason of Readsboro,	Van Sicklen,
Coleman,	McClary,	Walker of Dummerston,
Cook,	McQuivey,	Webster,
Cooper,	Merrifield,	Weeks,
Corliss of Corinth,	Miles,	Wells of Waterbury,
Curtis of Lowell,	Morgan,	Wheelock,
Curtis of Somerset,	Morse,	Whitney of Marlboro,
Dana,	Nott,	Whitney of Wilmington,
Davis,	Noyes,	Wiley,
Deming,	Parker,	Willard,
Earle,	Parmelee,	Wood,
Fitts,	Pattee,	Woods—118.
Fletcher,		

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Allen,	Goss,	Pierce,
Armstrong,	Graves of Duxbury,	Potter,
Ball of Granville,	Grover,	Prout,
Ball of Springfield,	Hard,	Purinton,
Bartlett of Morgan,	Harris,	Rogers,
Benson,	Hay,	Root,
Benton of Waltham,	Herrick,	Rounds,
Bill,	Hill,	Shedd of Hardwick,
Birchard,	Holmes,	Skinner,
Bliss,	Hopkins,	Smith of Bridport,
Bragg,	Hubbard of Stockbridge,	Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Brock,	Johnson of Rockingham,	Smith of Guilford,
Bullard,	Jones,	Smith of Roxbury,
Burt,	Kellogg,	Smith of Strafford,
Butterfield,	Ladd of Worcester,	Snyder,
Carpenter of Randolph,	Lamb,	Somers,
Chandler,	Loveland,	Spafford,
Church,	Lyon,	Stone,
Converse,	Martin of Montgomery,	Swinington,
Corbin,	Martin of Sheldon,	Taylor,
Corliss of Richford,	Marvin,	Tenney,
Cristy,	Mason of Ira,	Thomas,
Drew,	McIntosh,	Tryon,
Dunn,	Moore,	Tucker,
Fairman,	Muzzy,	Walker of Ludlow,
Foster of Calais,	Nelson,	Warren,
Foster of Montpelier,	Nichols,	Wells of Athens,
Foster of Pownal,	Nourse,	Weston of Essex,
Gibbs,	Palmer,	White of Shelburne,
Gilson,	Park,	White of Windsor—80.

So said bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Ross, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 213. An act in addition to chapter twenty-nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the court of chancery";

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line eight, by striking therefrom the words, "on such rates," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *at a rate not exceeding eight per cent., and on such other.*

Also, by adding to section one the following: *provided, nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent such receivers or managers from borrowing money for temporary purposes, in the same manner they could do before the passage of this act.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bills entitled

H. 73. An act to legalize the vote of the town meeting of Shoreham, relative to bounties, held March 7th, 1865;

H. 192. An act to amend section four of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, in relation to fees for registration;

And concurred therein.

Mr. Peake offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee appointed to make up the Grand list be instructed to inquire into the expediency of printing the listing laws of this State for the use of the listers of the several towns, and report by bill or otherwise;

Which was read and adopted.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, viz:

S. 23. An act to incorporate the St. Albans Marble Company;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 71. An act in addition to section fifteen of chapter one of the General Statutes, entitled "Of elections";

To the Committee on Elections.

S. 75. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to

amend an act to incorporate the village of Rutland, approved November 15, 1847," approved November 9, 1865 ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 104. An act to authorize the towns of Woodstock, Sherburne, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Pomfret, Hartland and Hartford to raise money to build a railroad ;

To the members of the House from the towns named in the bill.

S. 108. An act assessing a tax on the county of Washington ;

To the members of the House from the county of Washington.

Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 245. An act to prevent injury to public highways ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line twelve, by striking therefrom the word "written."

Also, by striking out all thereof after line thirteen, and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *when in their opinion the highways would not be greatly injured thereby.*

Also, in section two, line eleven, by inserting after the word "a," the word *town*.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 205. An act instructing the Committee to make up the grand list of the county of Windsor for the year 1865, and for other purposes ;

Reported that in the opinion of said committee, no legislation, as contemplated by said bill, is necessary ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Senate bill entitled

S. 97. An act relating to the printing of the grand list ;
Was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Parker, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 215. An act in alteration of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes ;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Ball, from the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 241. An act for the aid of drafted soldiers;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the Grand List to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 86. An act relating to the collection of town taxes;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Tenney, from the select committee raised on the subject of the State Reform School, reported a bill entitled

H. 268. An act to provide funds for the State Reform School;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 9. An act relating to the proceeds of public lands, in addition to chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the Committee on the Library to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 103. An act to appropriate money for the State Library;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

House bill entitled

H. 124. An act relating to the right of flowage;

Was taken up, it being among the unfinished business of the morning session. The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Brigham moved to amend the bill by striking therefrom section eight;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was

Ordered to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Snyder, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 84. An act to incorporate the Eolian Hotel Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Park, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the joint resolution relating to the subject of equal suffrage, offered by Mr. Butterfield ;

Reported in favor of its adoption ; whereupon said resolution was adopted on the part of the House.

Senate bill entitled

S. 85. An act to incorporate the Union Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, of Rutland ;

Was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Senate bill entitled

S. 46. An act regulating the pay of State's attorneys ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures, and prayer by the Chaplain.

By unanimous consent, bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Simonds,

H. 269. An act to incorporate the Peru Steam Mill Company ;

By Mr. Root,

H. 270. An act to incorporate the Craftsbury Mill-Village Mill Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 143. An act directing listers to notify persons when assessed for money on hand, debts due, stock in trade or manufactures ;

H. 152. An act to amend section fifty of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, in relation to the grand list ;

H. 166. An act to amend section twelve of chapter sixteen of the General Statutes, relating to fire districts ;

H. 189. An act to incorporate the Village of Cabot.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the committee, on the part of the House, on final adjournment, reported, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, declare their respective Houses adjourned without day, at eight o'clock on the morning of Tuesday, the 21st day of November, instant ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

House bill entitled

H. 170. An act in addition to and amendment of chapter eighty-three, title twenty-six, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of assessment and collection of taxes" ;

Was taken up as a special order for this time. The question being, Shall the pending motion to amend the bill, as moved by Mr. Prout, be agreed to? on motion of Mr. Park, the bill was

Ordered to lie, and made the special order for this morning at eleven o'clock.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 201. An act granting certain powers to the Addison County Grammar School ;

H. 213. An act in addition to chapter twenty-nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the court of chancery" ;

H. 242. An act in addition to number thirty-two of the acts of 1865, approved November 9, 1865, relating to fees of sheriffs and constables ;

H. 220. An act relating to estates of homestead and in dower, and in amendment of section six of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes ;

H. 253. An act to authorize the correction of errors in the grand lists ;

H. 267. An act to prevent the depositing of poison on

lands, and in amendment of section thirty, chapter one hundred and thirteen, of the General Statutes;

H. 268. An act to provide funds for the State Reform School;

H. 124. An act relating to the right of flowage.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 245. An act to prevent injuries to public highways;
Was read the third time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass? on motion of Mr. Rounds, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

House bill entitled

H. 170. An act in addition to and amendment of chapter eighty-three, title twenty-six, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of assessment and collection of taxes";

Was taken up as a special order for this time.

The question being, Shall the pending motion to amend the bill, as moved by Mr. Prout, be agreed to? Mr. Prout moved to modify his pending motion to amend, in line seven, by striking therefrom the word "such," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *all*;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the motion to amend the bill, as moved by Mr. Prout, be agreed to? it was decided in the negative.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved to amend the bill in section three, by adding thereto the following words: *and the appraised value of the real and personal estate assessed to such corporation for the preceding year*;

Also, in line nine, by striking therefrom the words "or market value";

Which motions to amend were severally agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Clark, of Poultney, moved to amend the title thereof so as to read, *An act for taxing the shares of private corporations*;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time?

On motion of Mr. Park, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have adopted on their part, a joint resolution relating to the National Statuary Hall,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have passed bills entitled

S. 94. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Cornwall for the year 1866 ;

S. 105. An act to amend section one of an act entitled " An act to authorize the town of Woodstock to raise money for building a railroad ; "

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

House bill entitled

H. 170. An act in addition to, and amendment of chapter eighty-three, title twenty-six, of the General Statutes, entitled, " Of assessment and collection of taxes " ;

Was taken up, it being among the unfinished business of the morning session. The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Rounds moved to amend the bill in section seven, line two, by inserting after the word " of," the word *state*.

Also, by striking therefrom lines ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen and fourteen, and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *and the collectors of county, town, highway and school district taxes, shall pay over the taxes by them collected on said stock, to such persons as are authorized by law to receive like taxes ;*

Which motions to amend were severally agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was

Ordered to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Ayers introduced a bill entitled

H. 271. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Weybridge, for the year 1866 ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee to make up the Grand List.

The third reading of Senate bill entitled

S. 44. An act to amend an act entitled " An act to incorporate the city of Burlington," approved November 22, 1864 ;

Was resumed and completed, and said bill was passed in concurrence, with proposals of amendment.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives, that he has approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 3. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Hardwick for the year 1864 ;

H. 76. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Greensboro ;

H. 86. An act in amendment of section two, chapter one hundred and eighteen, of the General Statutes, relating to offenses against public health ;

H. 106. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Morgan for the years 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 113. An act in amendment of section one of an act entitled " An act to incorporate the Newbury Medicinal Spring Company," approved November 11, 1862 ;

H. 117. An act in amendment of sections two and three of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to the registry and returns of births, marriages and deaths ;

H. 120. An act to incorporate the Montpelier and St. Johnsbury Railroad Company ;

H. 156. An act to incorporate the Granville Vermont Lumber Company ;

H. 179. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, approved November 9, 1865 ;

H. 193. An act to incorporate Cobb's Cornet Band of Bridgewater ;

H. 200. An act enlarging the powers of school district number four, in Middlebury ;

H. 223. An act to amend the charter of the Northfield Cemetery Association.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 237. An act to incorporate the Taftsville Cemetery Association ;

Was read the third time and passed.

Joint resolution from the Senate as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Governor of this State is hereby authorized to contract with Hiram Powers, for a heroic statue, in marble, of the late Jacob Collamer, and with Larkin G. Mead, Jr., for a heroic statue, in marble, of Ethan Allen, said statues when completed, to be placed in the National Statuary Hall, at Washington ;

Was read, and the question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, moved that the House propose to the Senate to amend the resolution by striking therefrom the words "Ethan Allen," and insert in lieu thereof the words, *Thomas Chittenden*.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, moved that the resolution be referred to a select committee, to consist of five members ;

Which motion was agreed to.

Senate bill entitled

S. 105. An act to amend section one of an act entitled, "An act to authorize the town of Woodstock to raise money for building a railroad" ;

Was read the first and second time, and pending a reference of the bill, on motion of Mr. Marsh, the rules were suspended so that this bill be read the third time at the present time ; whereupon the bill was read the third time at this time, and passed in concurrence.

Senate bill entitled

S. 94. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Cornwall, for the year 1866 ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 158. An act to incorporate the Village of Winooski ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section eight, line eleven, by inserting after the word "pay," the words, *to the town treasurer forty per cent. of said tax, and pay the balance of sixty per cent. of.*

Also, in section eleven, line twenty-three, by striking therefrom the word "other."

Also, in section eighteen, lines one and two, by striking therefrom the words "from its passage," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *when accepted as provided for in section twenty of this act.*

Also, in section one, line five, by inserting after the word "six," the words, *excepting the land north-west of a line commencing at the east line of school district number six, and running to and parallel with the south line of lots numbers one hundred and ninety and one hundred and ninety-nine, and continuing said line to E. Allen's land; thence on the south line of lot number one hundred and six to the Winooski River.*

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Ball, from the committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 104. An act to authorize the towns of Woodstock, Sherburne, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Pomfret, Hartland and Hartford to raise money for building a railroad;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom were referred House bills entitled

H. 269. An act to incorporate the Peru Steam Mill Company;

H. 270. An act to incorporate the Craftsbury Mill-Village Mill Company;

Reported in favor of their passage; whereupon said bills were severally

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. White, from the same committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 23. An act to incorporate the St. Albans Marble Company;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 82. An act in amendment of section one, chapter

twenty-two, of the General Statutes, and relating to the Board of Education ;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill in section one, by striking out all thereof after the word "follows," in line two, and inserting in lieu thereof the following : *There shall be elected by the Joint Assembly of the Senate and House of Representatives, two persons from each congressional district of the State, who shall hold their offices for four years from the first day of December, next following their respective elections, except the first person elected from each congressional district, who shall hold his office for two years from the first day of December next, who, together with the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this State, for the time being, who shall be, ex-officio, members thereof, shall be and constitute a Board of Education. All vacancies in offices which may occur by death, resignation, or removal from the district for which such officer was elected, may be filled by the Governor until the next session of the General Assembly.*

The House agreeing thereto, the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 195. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein mentioned ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended, by inserting in the blank therein the words, *one hundred and fifty* ;

Which recommendation of amendment was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Burt moved to amend in section one, line two, by striking therefrom the word "in," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *for* ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Burt, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 133. An act to pay Herbert W. Mattison the sum therein named ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 185. An act to incorporate the Montpelier and White River Railroad Company ;

Reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof. Whereupon the discharge asked for was granted.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? on motion of Mr. Harris, it was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 50. An act in addition to chapter sixteen of the General Statutes, relating to village corporations ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Pierce, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 80. An act to provide for the repairs of highways ;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill in section one, line twenty-five, by striking therefrom the word "give."

The House agreeing thereto, said bill was read the third time. The question being, Shall the bill pass in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment? Mr. Dunn moved that the House propose to the Senate further to amend the bill in section one, line eight, by inserting after the word "surveyed," the words, *or beyond the limits of his district*;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass in concurrence, with proposals of amendment? Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, moved to propose to the Senate further to amend the bill in lines twenty-two and twenty-three, by striking out the words, " where the material to be taken from," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, *from which the material is to be taken*;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass in concurrence,

with proposals of amendment? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Prout, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 163. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;
Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles, viz :

H. 188. An act to incorporate the Village of Ludlow ;

H. 209. An act in addition to chapter seventy of the General Statutes, entitled " Of divorce, alimony, custody of children, also of children of persons living separate " ;

H. 212. An act to pay Giles M. Carpenter the sum therein named ;

H. 219. An act to incorporate the Free Press Association ;

H. 222. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Coventry ;

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Guilford for the years 1863, 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered House bills entitled

H. 42. An act to protect fish in Suke's pond ;

H. 167. An act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of district schools in certain cases ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

* The Senate have passed bills of the following titles, viz :

S. 8. An act relating to criminal prosecutions ;

S. 64. An act in relation to the naturalization of aliens ;

S. 93. An act to amend an act, approved November 21, 1864, entitled " An act to provide for the repairs of houses of public worship " ;

S. 95. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled " Of the grand list " ;

S. 99. An act relating to the sale of real estate, including the homestead, by guardians of insane persons, and in amendment of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes ;

S. 106. An act in amendment of section two, chapter one hundred twenty-three, of the General Statutes, relating to the appointment of a Superintendent of the State Prison ;

S. 109. An act relating to the appointment of commissioners and appraisers on the estates of deceased persons ;

S. 111. An act to incorporate the Monkton Kaolin Company ;

S. 112. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Brooksville Edge Tool Company," approved October 24, 1861 ;

S. 113. An act to legalize the grand list of Jamaica ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Andrews offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the Sergeant-at-Arms be authorized to cause to be engraved upon the pedestal of the statue of Ethan Allen, an appropriate inscription in honor of the State of Vermont, and our noble dead ;

Which was read, and the question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? Mr. Butterfield moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means ;

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Andrews offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the Judges of the Supreme Court of this State should receive from the State, in addition to a full compensation for their services, sufficient to enable them to defray all the expenses properly incident to the due performance of the duties of their office ; and that to permit them to pass over the railroads free from charge of the ordinary fare, places them in an improper position, and tends to pervert their judgment when called upon to decide in cases where the corporations or owners of such roads are interested, and should be neither countenanced nor allowed ;

Which was read, and the question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Rounds, said resolution was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Marsh, it was

Ordered that the Clerk be directed to request the Senate to return to the possession of the House the joint resolution relating to the final adjournment of the General Assembly.

Mr. Brigham moved that the vote whereby the House refused the engrossment and third reading of House bill entitled

H. 248. An act for the better observance of the Lord's Day ;

Be reconsidered ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Brigham, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 233. An act defining the jurisdiction of town clerks ;

Reported, recommending the passage of House bill entitled

H. 272. An act defining the jurisdiction of town clerks ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 8. An act relating to criminal prosecutions ;

S. 64. An act in relation to the naturalization of aliens ;

S. 93. An act to amend an act, approved November 21, 1864, entitled "An act to provide for the repairs of houses of public worship" ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 95. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the grand list" ;

To the Committee to make up the Grand List.

S. 99. An act relating to the sale of real estate, including the homestead, by guardians of insane persons, and in amendment of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes ;

S. 106. An act in amendment of section two of chapter one hundred and twenty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the appointment of a Superintendent of the State Prison ;

S. 109. An act relating to commissioners and appraisers on estates of deceased persons ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 111. An act to incorporate the Monkton Kaolin Company ;

S. 112. An act to amend an act entitled " An act to incorporate the Brooksville Edge Tool Company," approved October 24, 1861 ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 113. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Jamaica for the years 1863, 1864 and 1865 ;

To the General Committee.

The House have considered Senate proposals of amendment to House bills entitled

H. 42. An act to protect fish in Suke's pond ;

H. 167. An act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of district schools in certain cases ;

And have concurred therein.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 100. An act for the regulation and government of the Vermont Reform School ;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill in section eight, line seven, by inserting after the word " school," the words, *and draw the money appropriated for the support of the school from the State Treasury on his account, approved by a majority of the trustees, and allowed by the Auditor of Accounts.*

Also, in section eleven, by inserting after the word " offense," the words, *not punishable by death.*

The House agreeing thereto, said bill was read the third time. The question being, Shall the bill pass in concurrence, with proposals of amendment? Mr. Rounds moved that the House propose to the Senate further to amend the bill in section nine, line ten, by inserting after the word " and," the word *to.*

Also in section sixteen, line two, by striking therefrom the words, " be subject," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *submit.*

The House agreeing thereto, and the question recurring, Shall the bill pass in concurrence, with proposals of amendment? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Prout, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom were referred Senate bill entitled

S. 18. An act to amend section seventeen, chapter eighty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of insurance companies";

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Richardson, of Westford, from the Committee on Town Lines to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 43. An act to survey and establish the boundary line between the towns of Belvidere and Bakersfield;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Prout, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 90. An act providing that towns may elect a collector of taxes;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly;

Was read the third time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Burt arose to a question of order, to wit: That inasmuch as this bill provides for an increase of the debentures of the members of the House, no member, (under the last clause of House rule number thirteen,) could be allowed to vote in favor of its passage,

Which question of order the Speaker decided not well taken.

Mr. Burt moved that the bill be ordered to lie;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Rounds moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend, by striking therefrom section five, and inserting in lieu thereof and thereafter the following:

Sec. 5. This increase of pay shall take effect on the first day of November next; provided, that if a majority of the ballots to be cast as hereinafter provided shall be "no," then this act shall take effect on the first day of January, A. D. 1868.

Sec. 6. At the next freemen's meeting in the several

towns in this State, ballots offered by persons who are legal voters for town representative in said towns, shall be received by the presiding officer at such meeting, and deposited in a box provided for that purpose, upon which said ballots shall be written or printed these words, "For increase of pay of members of the Legislature—Yes." "For increase of pay of members of the Legislature—No."

Sec. 7. Said ballots shall be counted by the civil authority of said town at the same time as the votes for state officers are counted, and a statement thereof shall be made and certified by the town clerk, and forwarded by him to the Secretary of State on or before the second Thursday of October next, who shall deliver said certificates to the committee to canvass the votes for county and probate district officers, and said committee shall examine said certificates, and report to the General Assembly the result of said balloting, as shown by said certificates.

Sec. 8. The constable or other officer warning the next freemen's meeting in the several towns, shall insert in said warning an article notifying the voters that ballots would be received at said meeting, as provided in this act.

Sec. 9. If the majority of such ballots shall be "yes," then the treasurer of this State shall, as soon as may be after the first day of November next, pay to the members of the present Legislature, or to their legal representatives, the amount of pay provided by this bill over and above the amount of pay now provided by law for such members;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Smith, of Ferrisburgh, moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend in section one, line two, by striking therefrom the word "ten," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *seven*.

The question being stated, Will the House commit the bill to a member with instructions to amend, as moved by Mr. Smith, of Ferrisburgh? Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, arose to a question of order, to wit: That inasmuch as the House on yesterday voted to amend the original bill, by striking therefrom the word "four," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *ten*, no motion to strike out and insert as moved, would, at this time, be in order;

Which question of order the Speaker decided well taken.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend in section two, line two, by inserting after the word "representatives," the words, *and officers of the General Assembly*;

Also by striking therefrom section three;

Which motion was agreed to; whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 118, nays 94.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Harris, were taken, and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Andrews,	Foster of Shrewsbury,	Paul,
Appleton,	Foster of Walden,	Pease,
Ayres,	Freeman,	Randall,
Baird,	Gleason,	Richardson of Westford,
Bartlett of Plainfield,	Goodsell,	Robie,
Barton,	Green,	Robinson,
Bemis,	Greenbank,	Root,
Benton of Guildhall,	Griffith,	Ross of Brandon,
Bickford,	Hale,	Ross of St. Johnsbury,
Bill,	Hamilton,	Ruggles,
Blaisdell,	Hinsdell,	Safford,
Bowker,	Horton,	Sanborn of Vershire,
Bradley,	Howard,	Shedd of West Windsor,
Brigham,	Hubbard of Whiting,	Sherman,
Brown,	Irish,	Shuffleton,
Bruce,	Johnson of Mendon,	Simonds,
Burton,	Joslyn,	Slocum,
Buzzell,	Judevine,	Smith of Bridport,
Cady,	Kelley,	Soper,
Cardell,	Ketcham,	Spanning,
Carpenter of Pawlet,	Lane of Cornwall,	Stevens,
Carter,	Lane of Derby,	Stewart,
Chamberlin,	Learnard,	Stickney,
Cheney,	Leland,	Taft,
Clafin,	Mann,	Tilden,
Clark of Addison,	Marsh,	Tolman,
Cleveland of Braintree,	Martin of Marshfield,	Town,
Cleveland of Brookfield,	Mason of Readsboro,	Tripp,
Cobb,	McClary,	Van Sicklen,
Coffrin,	McQuivey,	Walker of Dummerston,
Coleman,	Merrifield,	Welch,
Cook,	Miles,	Wells of Waterbury,
Cooper,	Morgan,	Wheelock,
Corniss of Corinth,	Morse,	Whitney of Marlboro,
Curtis of Lowell,	Nott,	Whitney of Wilmington,
Curtis of Somerset,	Noyes,	Wiley,
Davis,	Parker,	Willard,
Earle,	Parneelee,	Wood,
Fitte,	Pattee,	Woods—118.
Fletcher,		

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Armstrong,	Benson,	Bragg,
Ball of Granville,	Benton of Waltham,	Brock,
Ball of Springfield,	Birchard,	Bullard,
Bartlett of Morgan,	Biles,	Burt,

Butterfield,
Carpenter of Randolph,
Chandler,
Church,
Clark of Poultney,
Converse,
Corbin,
Corliss of Richford,
Cristy,
Deming,
Drew,
Dunn,
Fairman,
Foster of Calais,
Foster of Montpelier,
Foster of Pownal,
Gibb,
Gibbs,
Gilson,
Goss,
Graves of Duxbury,
Grover,
Hard,
Harris,
Hathaway,
Hay,
Herrick,
Hill,

Holmes,
Hopkins,
Hubbard of Stockbridge,
Johnson of Rockingham,
Jones,
Ladd of Enosburgh,
Lamb,
Loveland,
Martin of Sheldon,
Marvin,
Mason of Ira,
McIntosh,
Moore,
Muzzy,
Nelson,
Nichols,
Niles,
Noble,
Nourse,
Palmer,
Park,
Peake,
Pierce,
Potter,
Prout,
Purinton,
Richardson of Waitsfield,

Roberts,
Rogers,
Rounds,
Shedd of Hardwick,
Shepard,
Skinner,
Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Smith of Guilford,
Smith of Roxbury,
Smith of Stratford,
Snyder,
Somers,
Spafford,
Stone,
Swinington,
Taylor,
Tenney,
Thomas,
Tryon,
Tucker,
Waite,
Walker of Ludlow,
Wells of Athens,
Weston of Essex,
Whitcomb,
White of Shelburne,
White of Windsor—94.

So the bill, as amended, passed.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved that the vote whereby said bill, as amended, was passed, be reconsidered ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, pass ?
Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend in section two, by adding at the end thereof the following words : *except the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President of the Senate, who shall each receive six dollars per day ;*

Which motion was agreed to ; whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass ? it was decided in the affirmative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to return to the House of Representatives, the joint resolution relating to the final adjournment of the General Assembly, agreeably to a request of the House.

On motion of Mr. Waite, the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures, and prayer by the Chaplain.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 158. An act to incorporate the Village of Winooski ;

H. 195. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein mentioned ;

H. 269. An act to incorporate the Peru Steam Mill Company ;

H. 270. An act to incorporate the Craftsbury Mill-Village Mill Company ;

H. 272. An act defining the jurisdiction of town clerks.

On motion of Mr. Clark, of Poultney, it was

Ordered that House rule number twenty be suspended, so as to allow him to introduce the following bill :

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill entitled

H. 273. An act amending section three of an act, entitled, "An act instructing the Committee to make up the Grand List, to correct the list of the county of Washington for the year 1865, and for other purposes," approved November 8, 1866 ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Pierce introduced a bill entitled

H. 274. An act to pay E. N. Spaulding the sum therein mentioned ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported, recommending the passage of House bill entitled

H. 275. An act making provision for the support of Government ;

Which was read the first and second time. Pending the question, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? on motion of Mr. Clark, of Poultney, it was

Ordered that so much of House rules numbers twenty-five and twenty-six be suspended, as to allow this bill to be read without engrossment, and at the present time; whereupon said bill was

Ordered to be read the third time at this time, and was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Rounds, engrossed bill entitled

H. 245. An act to prevent injury to public highways;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Rounds moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend in section one, by adding thereto the following proviso: *provided any person may draw logs or timber in any way at such times when, by reason of frost, highways would not be liable to injury thereby;*

Which motion was agreed to; whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Rounds as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

Engrossed bill entitled

H. 170. An act in addition to and amendment of chapter eighty-three, title twenty-six, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of assessment and collection of taxes";

Was read the third time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Miner moved that the bill be

Ordered to lie, and be made the special order for Monday morning next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Which motion was disagreed to.

Pending the question, Shall the bill pass?

On motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :
To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have this day examined the following bills, and have presented the same to the Governor for his approval and signature, viz :

H. 26. An act in amendment of section forty-four, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to jailors' fees ;

H. 72. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Granville for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 73. An act to legalize the vote of the town meeting of Shoreham, relative to bounties, held March 7th, 1865 ;

H. 99. An act to incorporate the Valley Cheese Manufacturing Company of Hinesburgh ;

H. 115. An act to incorporate Springfield Village ;

H. 149. An act to legalize certain proceedings of the town of Essex ;

H. 177. An act amending section sixty-five of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, relating to laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;

H. 192. An act to amend section four of chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, in relation to fees for registration ;

H. 199. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Steamboat Company ;

H. 202. An act to incorporate the Munger Street Marble Company ;

H. 206. An act restoring William T. Ellison to his legal rights and privileges ;

H. 214. An act to change the name of the Winooski Marble Company ;

H. 259. An act to establish a State Normal School.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following named members to constitute the select committee to whom

was referred the joint resolution from the Senate, relating to the National Statuary Hall, to wit :

Mr. Clark of Poultney,

“ Miner,

“ Marsh,

“ Van Sicklen,

“ Ross of St. Johnsbury.

Mr. Van Sicklen offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That so much of sections twenty-five and twenty-six of the rules of this House as require the engrossment of all bills before they are read the third time, and that twenty-four hours shall intervene between the first and third reading of bills, be suspended for the remainder of the session.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor, to inform the House of Representatives, that he has approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 26. An act in amendment of section forty-four, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to jailors' fees ;

H. 72. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Granville, for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

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H. 214. An act to change the name of the Winooski Marble Company ;

H. 259. An act to establish a State Normal School.

Mr. Richardson, of Westford, from the Committee on Town Lines to whom was referred the petition of Chester Pratt and others, and also the remonstrance of Ebenezer Allen and others, in relation to the annexation of a part of the town of Bridport to the town of Weybridge ;

Reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject thereof ; whereupon the discharge asked for by the committee was granted.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 208. An act in relation to alien stockholders in railroad corporations in this State ;

Reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof, and recommending that the bill be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary ; whereupon the discharge asked for by the committee was granted, and the reference of said bill made, as recommended.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally reported in favor of their passage, read the third time and passed in concurrence, to wit :

By Mr. Prout, from the Committee on the Judiciary,

S. 64. An act in relation to the naturalization of aliens ;

By Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, from the General Committee,

S. 94. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Cornwall for the year 1866 ;

S. 113. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Jamaica for the years 1863, 1864 and 1865.

Mr. Hubbard, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 247. An act to enable agents to procure unadulterated liquors for medicinal purposes ;

Reported that said committee was equally divided as to the merits thereof, and with no recommendation to the House in relation thereto.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time ? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the Grand List, instructed by resolution to inquire into the propriety of revising the present listing laws for distribution among the several towns of the State,

Reported, recommending the passage of House bill entitled

H. 276. An act authorizing the compiling and publishing the listing laws of this State ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

Ordered to be read the third time on Monday morning next.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 153. An act to encourage manufactures ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Prout, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 2. An act in relation to the earnings of married women, and in addition to chapter seventy-one of the General Statutes ;

Reported, for a majority of the committee, in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill in section one, lines two, three and four, by striking therefrom the words, "or husband and wife shall live apart without the fault of the wife."

The House agreeing thereto, the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment.

Mr. Brigham, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 93. An act to amend an act, approved November 21, 1864, entitled "An act to provide for the repairs of houses of public worship" ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence,

Mr. Brigham, from the same committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 109. An act relating to the appointment of commissioners and appraisers on estates of deceased persons ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom were referred Senate bills entitled

S. 111. An act to incorporate the Monkton Kaolin Company;

S. 112. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Brooksville Edge Tool Company," approved October 24, 1861;

S. 75. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act to incorporate the village of Rutland, approved November 15, 1847," approved November 9, 1865;

Reported in favor of their passage; whereupon said bills were severally read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the Grand List to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 95. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the grand list";

Reported in favor of its passage.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred the joint resolution from the Senate, instructing the Sergeant-at-Arms to construct fire-proof vaults in certain rooms in the State House;

Reported in favor of its adoption; whereupon said resolution was adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Clark, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 252. An act to tax dogs;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Root, from the committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 98. An act relating to the times of holding the county court in Orleans county;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Pease, from the Committee on Agriculture to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 78. An act amending "An act to incorporate the Vermont State Agricultural Society," approved November 18, 1856;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Messrs. Marvin and Slocum, for a minority of the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 255. An act to amend an act organizing the militia, approved November 16, 1864;

Submitted the following report :

The minority of the General Committee of the House of Representatives to whom was referred House bill No. 255, entitled, "An act to amend an act organizing the militia, approved November 16, 1864," ask leave respectfully to report :

That when the same was under consideration, it appeared before said committee that under the present administration in this department, the arms and accoutrements were appropriated to private uses, and in the matter of suitable care, were subject to great and very general neglect : that thus the State and Government were being subjected to constant and increasing loss, and that the more perishable articles would, if suffered to remain as at present, very soon be worthless. It also appeared before your committee that the drill, as now provided for by law, in a practical point of light, was worthless. Officers who had seen from two to four years' service in the field in the late war, very explicitly expressed this opinion. The opinion was also expressed that in case of insurrection or invasion, an organization of the present type would, by being the basis of reliance, tend to prevent the veteran and experienced soldiers of our State, who would otherwise rush to the defense of our liberties and our borders, from rendering prompt and efficient service. It further appeared that the amount of expenses, direct and incidental, resulting from the present organization, would be considerable. It was, we believe, conceded that the expense to the State in this direction, might reach fourteen or fifteen thousand dollars, an amount which, in the opinion of the undersigned, in the present burdened state of our treasury, can ill be afforded in a case at best of doubtful utility. The undersigned would further represent that at the time when final action was taken in committee on said bill, the committee was by no means full, several of its members were absent, and that had the committee been in full attendance, very possibly, in the opinion of the undersigned, a different result might have been reached.

The undersigned, therefore, beg leave, respectfully to submit that, in their opinion, the bill should be further enter-

tained by this House, and recommend that it be amended by striking out in the second section, all after the first line, and substituting the following :

The commanding officers of the several companies, to collect the arms and accoutrements now distributed among the several companies, and cause the same to be stored and properly cared for in some suitable place within the limits of the several companies, at the expense of the State, and the commanding officers having the care of the same, shall annually, in the month of October, render to the Auditor of Accounts a just and true account of his services, and expenses necessarily incurred in taking proper care of the same, and the Auditor of Accounts shall thereupon examine and audit said account, and draw his orders for such sums of money as he shall find due, on the Treasurer of the State, for the payment of the same.

The question being, Shall the bill be amended, as recommended by the minority of the committee? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved to modify the amendment recommended by the minority of said committee, by adding to the end thereof the words, *and such commanding officer shall, in the month of September of each year, report to the Quartermaster General all the arms and accoutrements in his custody, and their condition;*

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the amendment recommended by the minority of the committee, as modified, be agreed to? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? on motion of Mr. Rounds, the bill was

Ordered to lie.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House, that the Senate have considered bills, originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 124. An act relating to the right of flowage ;

H. 166. An act to amend section twelve of chapter sixteen of the General Statutes, relating to fire districts ;

H. 189. An act to incorporate the Village of Cabot ;

H. 218. An act to incorporate the Lunenburg Starch Company ;

H. 235. An act in addition to an act entitled " An act to protect fish in Otter Creek " ;

H. 239. An act to authorize the towns of Woodstock, Sherburne, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Pomfret, Hartland and Hartford to raise money for building a railroad ;

H. 240. An act to amend section one of an act entitled " An act to authorize the town of Woodstock to raise money for building a railroad " ;

H. 258. An act to protect fish in Shelburne pond ;

H. 263. An act empowering incorporated villages and towns to have and maintain lock-ups or jails ;

H. 264. An act relating to the redemption of bank notes ;

H. 267. An act to prevent the depositing of poison on lands, and in amendment of section thirty, chapter one hundred and thirteen, of the General Statutes ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered House bills entitled

H. 213. An act in addition to chapter twenty-nine of the General Statutes, entitled " Of the court of chancery " ;

H. 237. An act to incorporate the Taftsville Cemetery Association ;

H. 261. An act in relation to appeals from judgments of justices of the peace in civil cases ;

H. 122. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;

H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

They have also considered House bills entitled

H. 48. An act to amend section four of chapter nine of the General Statutes, relating to reports of certain officers ;

H. 125. An act in amendment of sections one and six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, entitled " Of common schools and school laws " ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The Senate have adopted in concurrence House proposals of amendment to

S. 80. An act to provide for the repairs of highways ;

S. 44. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Burlington," approved November 22, 1864.

They have also considered House proposals of amendment to Senate bill entitled

S. 100. An act for the regulation and government of the Vermont Reform School ;

And have adopted the first, second and fourth proposals of amendment to said bill, and ask the House of Representatives to modify their third proposal of amendment.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 92. An act in addition to chapter seventy-nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of money of account and interest" ;

S. 115. An act in addition to section seven of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to text-books prescribed for use in the district schools of this State ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have adopted, on their part, a joint resolution relating to final adjournment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have considered House bill entitled

H. 275. An act making provision for the support of Government ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, adjourn their respective Houses without day on Tuesday the 20th instant, at eight o'clock A. M. ;

Was read, and the question being, Shall the resolution be adopted in concurrence? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved

that the House propose to the Senate to amend the resolution, by striking therefrom the words, "Tuesday the 20th," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *Wednesday the 21st*;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the resolution be adopted in concurrence? it was decided in the affirmative.

The House have considered Senate proposals of amendment to House bills entitled

H. 122. An act in relation to the qualifications of voters ;

H. 213. An act in addition to chapter twenty-nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the court of chancery" ;

H. 261. An act in relation to appeals from judgments of justices of the peace in civil cases ;

H. 275. An act making provision for the support of Government ;

H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont ;

H. 237. An act to incorporate the Taftsville Cemetery Association.

Senate bill entitled

S. 92. An act in addition to chapter seventy-nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of money of account and interest" ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Rounds offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House, on and after this (Saturday) evening, shall hold evening sessions, commencing at seven o'clock, P. M., and shall meet on Monday morning next at nine o'clock, A. M. ;

Which was read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Van Sicklen, House bill entitled

H. 21. An act providing for the erection of a monument over the grave of Thomas Chittenden ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? Mr. Van Sicklen moved to amend, by inserting in the blank therein the words, *twenty-five hundred* ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be read the third time? it was decided in the negative—yeas 60, nays 86.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Converse, were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Appleton,	Hamilton,	Rounds,
Benton of Guildhall,	Hinsdell,	Sanborn of Vershire,
Benton of Waltham,	Johnson of Mendon,	Simonds,
Bill,	Kelley,	Skinner,
Birchard,	Kellogg,	Slocum,
Bullard,	Ketcham,	Smith of Bridport,
Burt,	Marvin,	Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Buzzell,	Miner,	Snyder,
Carpenter of Pawlet,	Morgan,	Somers,
Carter,	Nichols,	Soper,
Church,	Nourse,	Thomas,
Clafin,	Parmelee,	Tryon,
Clark of Poultney,	Pease,	Van Sicklen,
Cobb,	Phillips,	Walker of Ludlow,
Coffin,	Pierce,	Weeks,
Foster of Calais,	Prout,	Wheelock,
Foster of Montpelier,	Randall,	Whitcomb,
Gibb,	Robie,	White of Windsor,
Gibbs,	Root,	Wiley,
Goodsell,	Ross of Brandon,	Woods—60.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Allen,	Earle,	Niles,
Armstrong,	Fairman,	Noble,
Baird,	Fletcher,	Nott,
Bartlett of Morgan,	Foster of Pownal,	Noyes,
Barton,	Foster of Shrewsbury,	Pattee,
Bemis,	Foster of Walden,	Paul,
Benson,	Freeman,	Potter,
Blaisdell,	Goss,	Purinton,
Bliss,	Graves of Duxbury,	Robinson,
Bowker,	Gray,	Rogers,
Bradley,	Hard,	Ross of St. Johnsbury,
Brock,	Harris,	Shedd of Hardwick,
Brown,	Herrick,	Shedd of West Windsor,
Burton,	Hill,	Sherman,
Butterfield,	Horton,	Shuffleton,
Carpenter of Randolph,	Howard,	Smith of Stratford,
Chandler,	Hubbard of Whiting,	Spafford,
Cheney,	Irish,	Spaulding,
Clark of Addison,	Johnson of Rockingham,	Stewart,
Cleveland of Braintree,	Judevine,	Swington,
Coleman,	Lamb,	Taylor,
Converse,	Lane of Derby,	Tenney,
Cooper,	Learnard,	Tolman,
Corliss of Corinth,	Leland,	Waite,
Corliss of Richford,	Mann,	Walker of Dummerston,
Cristy,	Marsh,	Wells of Athens,
Curtis of Somerset,	Martin of Montgomery,	White of Shelburne,
Deming,	Mason of Readsboro,	Wood—86.
Drew,	Muzzy,	

So the third reading of said bill was refused.

The House considered the Senate proposal of modification to the House proposal of amendment to Senate bill entitled S. 100. An act for the regulation and government of the Vermont Reform School ;

And concurred therein.

On motion of Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, House bill entitled

H. 260. An act relating to the duties of the Board of Education, and the examination of teachers ;

Was taken up, read the third time, and the question being, Shall the bill pass? it was decided in the negative.

Senate bill entitled

S. 115. An act in addition to section seven of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to text-books prescribed for use in the district schools in this State;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 65. An act to incorporate the New York, New England and Montreal Express Company;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill as follows: by striking out section eight, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Said corporation shall not contract debts to an amount exceeding three-fourths of the capital stock actually paid in, and if the indebtedness of the company shall at any time exceed the amount aforesaid, the directors and stockholders shall be personally holden for such excess to the creditors of the corporation.

Also, by adding to section three, the words, *not inconsistent with the laws of this State.*

The House agreeing thereto, the bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence, with proposals of amendment.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 99. An act relating to the sale of real estate, including the homestead, by guardians of insane persons, and in amendment of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Brigham, from the same committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 89. An act ceding to the United States the exclusive jurisdiction over sites for custom-houses;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 55. An act in addition to an act entitled "An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Village of St. Albans," approved November 21, 1864;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Ross, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 46. An act regulating the pay of State's attorneys; Reported, for a majority of the committee, in favor of its passage.

The question being, Shall the bill pass? on motion of Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

On motion of Mr. Miner, the House adjourned.

EVENING.

Mr. Prout, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 250. An act to amend section thirteen of chapter forty-seven, title fifteen, of the General Statutes;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Prout, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 232. An act to amend section thirteen, chapter forty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of levy of execution";

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line thirty, by inserting after the word "select," the words, *and two horses kept and used for team work, and such as the debtor may select in lieu of oxen or steers, but not exceeding in value the sum of two hundred dollars, with sufficient forage for the keeping the same through the winter; provided, however, that the exemption of said horses and forage therefor, is not to extend or affect any attachment issued, on any contract made on or before the first day of December next, or to any execution issued on a judgment founded on any such contract;*

Which recommendation of amendment was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was

Ordered to be read the third time on Monday morning next.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 97. An act to authorize the removal of obstructions from Onion river and its tributaries ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line fourteen, by inserting after the word "tributaries," the words, *without lowering the height of such dam, or injuring such water power ;*

Also, in line nineteen, by striking therefrom the word "or," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *and ;*

Also, by adding to said section the words, *in the manner hereinafter provided ;*

Also, by striking out sections two and three, and inserting in lieu thereof the following :

Sec. 2. If the said Hubbard and Town, or their assigns, shall not be able to agree upon the amount of damage that is liable to accrue to any lands, dams, water power, or other property, in carrying into effect this act, with the owner or owners of such property, they shall, before entering upon such property, prefer their petition to the county court, for the county of Washington, or any stated term thereof, setting forth that they are unable to agree with the owners in such petition named, upon the amount of damage that would be liable to occur to such owners in carrying into effect this act, and praying for the appointment of three disinterested commissioners to examine into the matter and report such damages, which petition, with a citation annexed thereto, signed by either of the judges of said court, or any justice of the peace of said county with recognizance for costs of prosecution, shall be served on the owner or owners of such property, liable to be damaged in the same manner as writs of summons are required to be served ; and on the return of said petition and citation, said court shall proceed to appoint such commissioners, who shall have the same powers, and be governed by the same laws in their proceeding, as commissioners appointed by the county court to lay out highways and appraise the damages occasioned thereby, whose report, when

made said court shall have the same powers over, and authority to establish as they have in case of laying out highways, provided the said Hubbard and Town shall, before entering on said premises, deposit the amount of damages, and such legal costs as said court shall allow to such owners, with the clerk of said court, for the use of such owner or owners.

Also by adding to the end of the last section the following words: *Provided that nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent any person owning or occupying, or who shall hereafter own or occupy a mill on said river or its tributaries from running or floating logs or lumber in ponds made by their respective mill-dams.*

Which recommendations of amendment were severally agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be read the third time? on motion of Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, it was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Jones, from the committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 108. An act assessing a tax on the county of Washington;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Tenney, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 115. An act in addition to section seven of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to text-books prescribed for use in the district schools of this State;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Burt, from the committee to whom was secondly referred engrossed bill entitled

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section two, line six, by striking therefrom the words, "twenty-seven," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *twenty-eight*;

Which recommendation of amendment was agreed to.

The question being, shall the bill, as amended, be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Parker moved that the vote whereby the House refused the passage of House bill entitled

H. 260. An act relating to the duties of the Board of Education, and the examination of teachers ;

Be reconsidered ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Parker moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend by striking therefrom section three ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, shall the bill pass? Mr. Rounds moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend in section one, line ten, by inserting after the word "state," the words, *and forward the same to the principal of each academy in the State ;*

Which motion was agreed to ; whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Rounds as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Parker, Senate bill entitled

S. 46. An act regulating the pay of State's attorneys ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Lane offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That it is the sense of the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, that an efficient system of protective duties is indispensably necessary to the best and permanent prosperity of the country.

Resolved, That it is the duty of the General Government to protect the labor and industry of the country against foreign competition, and that the material interests developed by the wool producers of Vermont, demand that the protection in favor of wool in the tariff bill, presented at the last session of Congress, should receive its early attention and sanction.

Resolved, That our senators and representatives be requested, at an early day of the next session, to earnestly and faithfully urge this subject upon Congress.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State communicate a copy of these resolutions to each of our senators and representatives in Congress.

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred the joint resolution relating to the National Hall of Statuary;

Reported, recommending the adoption of the resolution in concurrence, without amendment.

The question being, Shall the motion to propose to the Senate to amend the resolution, as moved by Mr. Hubbard, be agreed to? it was decided in the negative.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted in concurrence? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Prout moved that the House do now adjourn;

Which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Rounds, from the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 217. An act to promote and preserve the efficiency of the organized militia;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended, by adding thereto an additional section, as follows:

The State shall furnish commutation for transportation to the members of each company of organized militia, at the rate of four cents per mile each way for the actual travel of each member thereof, who attends any regimental drill as required by this act; and also commutation for rations at the rate of thirty cents per man for each day's attendance upon such regimental drill, to be paid from the Treasury of the State upon proper vouchers, under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Commander-in-Chief. And the Quartermaster General shall furnish the commandant of each regiment, at the expense of the State, with necessary fuel and straw—not to exceed in amount fifty dollars worth—for the use of said regiments at regimental drills;

Which recommendation of amendment was disagreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the negative.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report:
To the House of Representatives now in session:

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have

duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval and signature, viz :

H. 42. An act to protect fish in Suke's pond ;

H. 167. An act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of district schools in certain cases ;

H. 188. An act to incorporate the Village of Ludlow ;

H. 209. An act in addition to chapter seventy of the General Statutes, entitled "Of divorce, alimony, custody of children, also of children of persons living separate" ;

H. 212. An act to pay Giles M. Carpenter the sum therein named ;

H. 219. An act to incorporate the Free Press Association ;

H. 222. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Coventry.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

On motion of Mr. Rounds, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1866.

Reading of the Scriptures, and prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Marvin, House bill entitled

H. 255. An act to amend an act organizing the militia, approved November 16, 1864 ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass ? Mr. Marvin moved that the bill be committed to a member, with instructions to amend in section two, line twenty, by inserting after the word "arms," the word *uniform* ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass ? it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 85, nays 79.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Paul, were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Allen,	Fitts,	Nichols,
Appleton,	Fletcher,	Niles,
Ayres,	Foster of Pownal,	Noble,
Baird,	Freeman,	Nourse,
Ball of Granville,	Gibb,	Pease,
Bartlett of Morgan,	Goodsell,	Phillips,
Bemis,	Green,	Pierce,
Benson,	Griffith,	Randall,
Benton of Waltham,	Grover,	Robie,
Bill,	Hamilton,	Rogers,
Birchard,	Hay,	Ross of Brandon,
Blaisdell,	Hinsdell,	Shedd of Hardwick,
Bowker,	Holmes,	Sherman,
Bradley,	Hubbard of Whiting,	Shuffleton,
Bruce,	Irish,	Simonds,
Burt,	Kellogg,	Slocum,
Burton,	Ketcham,	Smith of Bridport,
Buzzell,	Lane of Cornwall,	Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Carpenter of Pawlet,	Lane of Derby,	Soper,
Carter,	Learnard,	Spaulding,
Claffin,	Martin of Marshfield,	Stevens,
Clark of Addison,	Martin of Montgomery,	Stickney,
Coleman,	Marvin,	Swinington,
Corbin,	Mason of Ira,	Taft,
Corliss of Corinth,	McClary,	Thomas,
Cristy,	McIntosh,	Town,
Curtis of Somerset,	McQuivey,	Tucker,
Deming,	Nelson,	Whitney of Wilmington,
Fairman,		Wiley—85.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Armstrong,	Hard,	Prout,
Ball of Springfield,	Harris,	Purinton,
Barton,	Herrick,	Robinson,
Benton of Guildhall,	Hill,	Rounds,
Bliss,	Hopkins,	Ruggles,
Bragg,	Horton,	Safford,
Brock,	Howard,	Shedd of West Windsor,
Butterfield,	Johnson of Rockingham,	Skinner,
Carpenter of Randolph,	Leland,	Smith of Guilford,
Chandler,	Loveland,	Somers,
Cheney,	Lyon,	Spafford,
Church,	Marsh,	Stewart,
Cleveland of Braintree,	Mason of Readsboro,	Taylor,
Cobb,	Merrifield,	Tenney,
Converse,	Miner,	Tryon,
Cook,	Moore,	Van Sicken,
Corliss of Richford,	Morgan,	Walker of Dummerston,
Curtis of Lowell,	Muzzy,	Walker of Ludlow,
Davis,	Nott,	Weeks,
Drew,	Noyes,	Wells of Athens,
Earle,	Park,	Wheelock,
Foster of Calais,	Parker,	Whitcomb,
Foster of Montpelier,	Farnelee,	White of Shelburne,
Foster of Shrewsbury,	Fattee,	White of Windsor,
Gibbs,	Paul,	Whitney of Marlboro,
Gleason,	Potter,	Wood—78.
Goss,		

So the bill, as amended, passed.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives, that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the House, of the following titles, viz:

H. 42. An act to protect fish in Suke's pond;

H. 167. An act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of district schools in certain cases ;

H. 188. An act to incorporate the Village of Ludlow ;

H. 209. An act in addition to chapter seventy of the General Statutes, entitled "Of divorce, alimony, custody of children, also of children of persons living separate" ;

H. 212. An act to pay Giles M. Carpenter the sum therein named ;

H. 219. An act to incorporate the Free Press Association ;

H. 222. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Coventry.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred a bill entitled

H. 254. An act in amendment of section thirty-eight of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of salaries, fees, etc." ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the same committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 102. An act relating to the times of holding the county court in Caledonia county ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Marvin moved that the House direct its Clerk to request the Senate to return to the possession of the House, Senate bill entitled

S. 46. An act regulating the pay of State's attorneys ;
Which motion was disagreed to.

House bill entitled

H. 276. An act authorizing the compiling and publishing of the listing laws of this State ;

Was read the third time. The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Marvin moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend, in section one, line four, by inserting after the word "State," the words, *which shall be in force on and after the first day of April, 1867* ;

Which motion was agreed to ; whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Marvin as the member to whom the bill should

be committed for amendment, under the instructions of the House, who reported the same amended agreeably therewith.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

House bill entitled

H. 232. An act to amend section thirteen, chapter forty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of levy of execution";

Was read the third time. The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved that the bill be committed to a member with instructions to amend in section one, lines thirteen and fourteen, by striking therefrom the words, "nor exceeding in value fifty dollars";

Which motion was agreed to; whereupon the Speaker designated Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, as the member to whom the bill should be committed for amendment under the instructions of the House, who reported the same, amended agreeably therewith.

Mr. Park moved that the vote whereby the House agreed to the recommendation of amendment of the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred this bill, be reconsidered;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the recommendation of amendment of the committee be agreed to? Mr. Park moved that the same be modified by striking therefrom the word "and," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *or*;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the amendment recommended by the committee, as modified, be agreed to? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved that the recommendation of amendment of the committee be modified by striking out the words, "two horses," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *one horse*; and also by striking therefrom the words, "but not exceeding in value the sum of two hundred dollars";

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question being, Shall the recommendation of amendment of the committee, as modified, be agreed to? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question recurring, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, House bill entitled

H. 97. An act to authorize the removal of obstructions from Onion river and its tributaries ;

Was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that his Excellency, the Governor, has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the Senate, of the following titles :

S. 19. An act amending section two of chapter seventy-seven of the General Statutes ;

S. 25. An act to pay John Lonergan the sum therein mentioned ;

S. 29. An act to protect fish in Hermitage Pond, in Topsham ;

S. 48. An act to incorporate the Vermont Manufacturing Company ;

S. 54. An act to incorporate the Adams Slate and Tile Company ;

S. 56. An act laying a tax on the county of Bennington ;

S. 58. An act to amend an act entitled, "An act incorporating and establishing the Norwich University, at Norwich, in Windsor county," approved November 6, A. D. 1834 ;

S. 60. An act to amend section thirty-nine of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, in relation to the fees of grand and petit jurors before the county court ;

S. 62. An act to incorporate the Woodstock Academy of Natural Sciences ;

S. 70. An act to incorporate the Northfield Slate and Tile Company ;

S. 24. An act relating to probate fees and salaries ;

S. 37. An act to enable the State Treasurer to discharge certain mortgages given for banking purposes ;

S. 42. An act amending section forty-four of chapter seventy of the General Statutes ;

S. 63. An act fixing the salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court ;

S. 28. An act authorizing the Mt. Mansfield Hotel Company to issue bonds ;

S. 45. An act granting certain privileges to the villages of Bennington and North Bennington ;

S. 66. An act repealing chapter one hundred and nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of persons claimed as fugitive slaves, and to prevent kidnapping";

S. 69. An act to amend section forty-six, chapter twenty, of the General Statutes, in relation to Commissioner of the Insane;

S. 77. An act to pay certain State officers;

S. 87. An act to incorporate the East Dorset Cemetery Association;

S. 88. An act relating to the times of holding the Supreme Court in the county of Windsor, and in amendment of section seven of chapter thirty of the General Statutes;

S. 101. An act to provide for the printing of the Directory of the General Assembly.

The Senate have considered House bills of the following titles, viz:

H. 158. An act to incorporate the Village of Winooski;

H. 195. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein mentioned;

H. 201. An act granting certain powers to the Addison County Grammar School;

H. 220. An act relating to estates of homestead and in dower, and in amendment of section six of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes;

H. 236. An act to incorporate the Smith Soapstone Company;

H. 242. An act in addition to number thirty-two of the acts of 1865, approved November 9, 1865, relating to fees of sheriffs and constables;

H. 245. An act to prevent injury to public highways;

H. 268. An act to provide funds for the State Reform School;

H. 269. An act to incorporate the Peru Steam Mill Company;

H. 270. An act to incorporate the Craftsbury Mill-Village Mill Company;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered joint resolution relating to equal suffrage;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered

H. 272. An act defining the jurisdiction of town clerks;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have considered

H. 152. An act to amend section fifty of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, in relation to the grand list ;

H. 253. An act to authorize the correction of errors in the grand list ;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 118. An act in addition to an act entitled "An act for the relief of school district number four, in St. Albans" ;

S. 119. An act to change the name of the Sheldon and Slason Marble Company ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :
To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval, viz :

H. 124. An act relating to the right of flowage ;

H. 166. An act to amend section twelve of chapter sixteen of the General Statutes, relating to fire districts ;

H. 181. An act to incorporate the West Rutland Centre School ;

H. 189. An act to incorporate the Village of Cabot ;

H. 218. An act to incorporate the Lunenburg Starch Company ;

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Guilford for the years 1863, 1864, 1865 and 1866 ;

H. 235. An act in addition to an act entitled "An act to protect fish in Otter Creek" ;

H. 239. An act to authorize the towns of Woodstock, Sherburne, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Pomfret, Hartland and Hartford to raise money for building a railroad ;

H. 240. An act to amend section one of an act entitled "An act to authorize the town of Woodstock to raise money for building a railroad" ;

H. 243. An act authorizing the completion of the probate records for the district of Rutland, and to pay the register for completing the same ;

H. 258. An act to protect fish in Shelburne pond ;

H. 263. An act empowering incorporated villages and towns to have and maintain lock-ups or jails ;

H. 264. An act relating to the redemption of bank notes ;

H. 267. An act to prevent the depositing of poison on lands, and in amendment of section thirty, chapter one hundred and thirteen, of the General Statutes.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have considered joint resolution from the House, relating to the protection of American industry ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have adopted a joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly for the election of trustees of the Vermont Reform School,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed a bill originating in the Senate, entitled

S. 100. An act for the regulation and government of the Vermont Reform School.

On motion of Mr. Clark, of Poultney, House bill entitled

H. 170. An act for taxing the shares of private corporations ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass ?

On motion of Mr. Ross, of Brandon, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Committee on Bills submittled the following report :
To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval, viz :

H. 24. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Vermont and New York Railroad Company," approved November 2, 1865 ;

- H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont ;
- H. 122. An act in relation to the qualification of voters ;
- H. 158. An act to incorporate the Village of Winooski ;
- H. 195. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein mentioned ;
- H. 201. An act granting certain powers to the Addison County Grammar School ;
- H. 213. An act in addition to chapter twenty-nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the court of chancery" ;
- H. 220. An act relating to the estates of homestead and in dower, and in amendment of section six of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes ;
- H. 236. An act to incorporate the Smith Soapstone Company ;
- H. 237. An act to incorporate the Taftsville Cemetery Association ;
- H. 242. An act in addition to number thirty-two of the Acts of 1865, approved November 9, 1865, relating to fees of sheriffs and constables ;
- H. 245. An act to prevent injury to public highways ;
- H. 261. An act in relation to appeals from judgments of justices of the peace in civil cases ;
- H. 269. An act to incorporate the Peru Steam Mill Company ;
- H. 268. An act to provide funds for the State Reform School ;
- H. 270. An act to incorporate the Craftsbury Mill-Village Mill Company ;
- H. 275. An act making provision for the support of Government.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Monday, the 19th instant, at four o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing three trustees of the Vermont Reform School ;
Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 208. An act in relation to alien stockholders in railroad corporations in this State ;

Reported adversely to its passage; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Dunn; for a majority of the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 79. An act to enable certain towns to establish central schools;

Reported in favor of its passage. The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the negative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bill entitled

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles:

S. 116. An act to incorporate the Warren Gold Mining Company;

S. 117. An act to incorporate the Craftsbury Mill Company;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor, to inform the House of Representatives, that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the House, of the following titles:

H. 124. An act relating to the right of flowage;

H. 166. An act to amend section twelve of chapter sixteen of the General Statutes, relating to fire districts;

H. 181. An act to incorporate the West Rutland Centre School;

H. 189. An act to incorporate the Village of Cabot;

H. 218. An act to incorporate the Lunenburg Starch Company;

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Guilford, for the years 1863, 1864, 1865 and 1866;

H. 235. An act in addition to an act entitled an act to protect fish in Otter Creek;

H. 239. An act to authorize the towns of Woodstock, Sherburne, Bridgewater, Plymouth, Pomfret, Hartland and Hartford, to raise money for building a railroad;

H. 240. An act to amend section one of an act entitled "An act to authorize the town of Woodstock to raise money for building a railroad";

H. 243. An act authorizing the completion of the probate records for the district of Rutland, and to pay the register for completing the same;

H. 258. An act to protect fish in Shelburne pond;

H. 263. An act empowering incorporated villages and towns to have and maintain lock-ups or jails;

H. 264. An act relating to the redemption of bank notes;

H. 267. An act to prevent the depositing of poison on lands, and in amendment of section thirty, chapter one hundred and thirteen, of the General Statutes.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Senate proposals of amendment to House bill entitled

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly.

The question being, Shall the Senate's first proposal of amendment be agreed to? it was decided in the affirmative.

The question being, Shall the Senate's second proposal of amendment be agreed to? Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, moved that the House propose to the Senate to modify said proposal of amendment, so that the proviso thereof shall read as follows: *Provided, that the compensation of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk of the House of Representatives, shall be increased in the same ratio as the pay of the members of the General Assembly is increased by this act, and that such increase shall apply to their services for the present session.*

On motion of Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, the bill was
Ordered to lie.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, introduced a bill entitled

H. 277. An act fixing the salaries of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk and Assistant Clerks of the House of Representatives ;

Which was read the first and second time.

Pending the reference thereof, Mr. Mason moved that so much of House rule number twenty-seven as requires a reference thereof, be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to ; whereupon said bill was read the third time at this time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, House bill entitled

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly ;

Was taken up. The question being, Will the House propose to the Senate to modify their second proposal of amendment, as moved by Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham? Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham, moved that the bill be

Ordered to lie ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Will the House propose to the Senate to modify their second proposal of amendment, as moved by Mr. Johnson, of Rockingham? it was decided in the negative.

The question recurring, Will the House agree to the Senate's second proposal of amendment? on motion of Mr. Rounds, the bill was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 273. An act amending section three of an act entitled, "An act instructing the Committee to make up the Grand List, to correct the list of the county of Washington for the year 1865, and for other purposes," approved November 8, 1866 ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 92. An act in addition to chapter seventy-nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of money of account and interest" ;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill, in section three, by striking therefrom the words, "amounts of such payments at the end of such year," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *amount of such payments at the end of such year, with interest thereon from the time of payment.*

The House agreeing thereto, said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

The House have considered Senate proposals of amendment to House bill entitled

H. 272. An act defining the jurisdiction of town clerks ;
And concurred therein.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time and referred, as follows :

S. 116. An act to incorporate the Warren Gold Mining Company ;

S. 117. An act to incorporate the Craftsbury Mill Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 118. An act in addition to an act entitled " An act for the relief of school district number four, in St. Albans " ;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 119. An act to change the name of the Sheldon and Slason Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 8. An act relating to criminal prosecutions ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon the bill was read the third time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass in concurrence ? on motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the joint resolution offered by Mr. Andrews, relating to the salary of the judges of the Supreme Court,

Reported adversely to its adoption ; whereupon its adoption, on the part of the House, was refused.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred the joint resolution, offered by Mr. Andrews, directing the Sergeant-at-Arms to cause

an engraved inscription to be affixed to the pedestal of the statue of Ethan Allen,

Reported, asking to be discharged from the further consideration thereof; whereupon the discharge asked for by the committee was granted.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 106. An act in amendment of section two, chapter one hundred and twenty-three, of the General Statutes, relating to the appointment of a Superintendent of the State Prison;

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill by adding thereto an additional section, as follows:

Sec. 2. This act shall not take effect till the second Thursday of October next;

Which recommendation of amendment was disagreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill pass in concurrence? it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Bullard, the joint resolution (offered by Mr. Bullard) providing for the appointment of a State commission to labor in behalf of the orphan and friendless children of Vermont, was taken up.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, from the Committee on Elections to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 71. An act in addition to section fifteen of chapter one of the General Statutes, entitled "Of elections";

Reported in favor of its passage, with the recommendation, that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. Section fifteen of chapter one of the General Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following, viz: Provided, no ballot shall be commenced after twelve o'clock at night of said day.

The House agreed so to recommend to the Senate to amend the bill.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the negative.

House bill entitled

H. 170. An act for taxing the shares of private corporations ;

Was taken up as unfinished business of the morning session. The question being, Shall the bill pass? on motion of Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

The hour for the Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have considered House proposals of amendment to Senate bill entitled

S. 82. An act in amendment of section one, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, and relating to the Board of Education ;

And refuse to concur therein.

They have considered House bills entitled

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House ;

H. 260. An relating to the duties of the Board of Education, and the examination of teachers ;

H. 277. An act fixing the salaries of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate and Clerk and Assistant Clerks of the House of Representatives ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered the joint resolution from the House, relating to the protection of American industry,

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, House bill entitled

H. 170. An act for taxing the shares of private corporations ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Cleveland, of Brookfield, moved that the bill be

Ordered to lie ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Park moved that the bill be dismissed.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, moved that the motion to dismiss be

Ordered to lie ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be dismissed? Mr. Hathaway moved that the House do now adjourn ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be dismissed? it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 119, nays 80.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Allen,
Baird,
Ball of Granville,
Ball of Springfield,
Barron,
Bartlett of Morgan,
Bartlett of Plainfield,
Barton,
Bemis,
Benson,
Benton of Guildhall,
Benton of Waltham,
Bill,
Bowker,
Bruce,
Burt,
Burton,
Butterfield,
Cardell,
Carpenter of Randolph,
Chandler,
Cheney,
Clafin,
Clark of Addison,
Coffrin,
Coleman,
Converse,
Corbin,
Corliss of Corinth,
Curtis of Lowell,
Curtis of Somerset,
Deming,
Dunn,
Earle,
Foster of Calais,
Foster of Montpelier,
Foster of Pownal,
Foster of Shrewsbury,
Foster of Walden,
Freeman,

Gibb,
Gleason,
Goodsell,
Gray,
Hale,
Hard,
Harris,
Hay,
Hill,
Hinsdell,
Howard,
Hubbard of Stockbridge,
Hubbard of Whiting,
Irish,
Johnson of Mendon,
Johnson of Rockingham,
Jones,
Joslyn,
Ketcham,
Ladd of Worcester,
Lane of Cornwall,
Lane of Derby,
Martin of Montgomery,
Marvin,
McQuivey,
Miles,
Miner,
Moore,
Morgan,
Morse,
Nelson,
Noble,
Nourse,
Noyes,
Park,
Parmelee,
Peake,
Pierce,
Purinton,
Randall,

Robie,
Robinson,
Ross of Brandon,
Safford,
Sanborn of Vershire,
Shepard,
Shuffleton,
Simonds,
Smith of Bridport,
Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Smith of Guilford,
Smith of Roxbury,
Smith of Stratford,
Soper,
Spaulding,
Stewart,
Stickney,
Stone,
Swinington,
Tenney,
Thomas,
Tilden,
Tolman,
Town,
Tucker,
Van Sicklen,
Walker of Dummerston,
Walker of Ludlow,
Weeks,
Welch,
Wells of Athens,
Wells of Waterbury,
Weston of Colchester,
White of Shelburne,
White of Windsor,
Wiley,
Willard,
Woods,
Wyman.—119.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Andrews,
Appleton,
Armstrong,
Ayres,
Birchard,
Blaisdell,
Bliss,
Bradley,
Brigham,
Brown,
Bullard,

Buzzell,
Cady,
Carpenter of Pawlet,
Carter,
Chamberlin,
Church,
Clark of Poultney,
Cleveland of Braintree,
Cleveland of Brookfield,
Cobb,
Cook,

Corliss of Richford,
Dana,
Drew,
Fairman,
Fitts,
Gibbs,
Goss,
Graves of Duxbury,
Griffith,
Grover,
Hamilton,

Hathaway,	Niles,	Shedd of Hardwick,
Herrick,	Nott,	Shedd of West Windsor,
Holmes,	Palmer,	Sherman,
Hopkins,	Parker,	Skinner,
Horton,	Pattee,	Slocum,
Kellogg,	Paul,	Snyder,
Ladd of Enosburgh,	Pease,	Spafford,
Lamb,	Phillips,	Taylor,
Lyon,	Potter,	Tryon,
Mann,	Prout,	Warren,
Mason of Ira,	Richardson of Waitsfield,	Weston of Essex,
Mason of Readsboro,	Roberts,	Wheelock,
McIntosh,	Ross of St. Johnsbury,	Whitcomb,
Merrifield,	Rounds,	Whitney of Marlboro,
Muzzy,	Ruggles,	Wood—80.
Nichols,	Sanborn of Peacham,	

So the bill was dismissed.

On motion of Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, House bill entitled

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly;

Was taken up, and the Senate's second proposal of amendment thereto was concurred in.

Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the resolution requiring the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives to declare the respective bodies over which they preside, adjourned without day on Tuesday, the 20th day of November, instant, at eight o'clock A. M., be and the same hereby is rescinded; and that the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives be required to declare the respective bodies over which they preside, adjourned without day on Wednesday, the 21st day of November, instant, at eight o'clock A. M.;

Which was read. The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? on motion of Mr. Weston, of Colchester, it was

Ordered to lie.

On motion of Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, the House adjourned.

EVENING.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives, that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 24. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Vermont and New York Railroad Company," approved November 2, 1865 ;

H. 107. An act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont ;

H. 122. An act providing for a check-list of voters ;

H. 158. An act to incorporate the Village of Winooski ;

H. 195. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein mentioned ;

H. 201. An act granting certain powers to the Addison County Grammar School ;

H. 213. An act in addition to chapter twenty-nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the court of chancery" ;

H. 220. An act relating to estates of homestead and in dower, and in amendment of section six of chapter sixty-eight of the General Statutes ;

H. 236. An act to incorporate the Smith Soapstone Company ;

H. 237. An act to incorporate the Taftsville Cemetery Association ;

H. 242. An act in addition to number thirty-two of the Acts of 1865, approved November 9, 1865, relating to fees of sheriffs and constables ;

H. 245. An act to prevent injury to public highways ;

H. 261. An act in relation to appeals from judgments of justices of the peace in civil cases ;

H. 268. An act to provide funds for the State Reform School ;

H. 269. An act to incorporate the Peru Steam Mill Company ;

H. 270. An act to incorporate the Craftsbury Mill-Village Mill Company ;

H. 275. An act making provision for the support of Government.

Mr. Marvin, from the Committee to make up the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 271. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Weybridge for the year 1866 ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. White, of Windsor, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred Senate bills entitled

S. 116. An act to incorporate the Warren Gold Mining Company ;

S. 117. An act to incorporate the Craftsbury Mill Company ;

S. 119. An act to change the name of the Sheldon and Slason Marble Company ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; whereupon said bills were severally read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Rounds moved that the House recede from their proposal of amendment to Senate bill entitled

S. 82. An act in amendment of section one of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, and relating to the Board of Education ;

Which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Brigham, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 230. An act to amend section forty-one of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, relating to the fees of town grand jurors ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered a joint resolution from the House, directing the Sergeant-at-Arms to cause to be engraved a certain inscription upon the pedestal of the statue of Ethan Allen.

They have also considered House bill entitled

H. 273. An act amending section three of an act entitled "An act instructing the Committee to make up the Grand List, to correct the list of the county of Washington

for the year 1865, and for other purposes," approved November 8, 1866 ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered

H. 232. An act to amend section thirteen, chapter forty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of levy of execution";

And have passed the same in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have considered House bill entitled :

H. 143. An act directing listers to notify persons when assessed for money on hand, debts due, stock in trade or manufactures ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered House bills entitled

H. 186. An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of assessment and collection of taxes";

H. 255. An act to amend an act organizing the militia, approved November 16, 1864 ;

H. 276. An act authorizing the compiling and publishing of the listing laws of this State ;

H. 98. An act in addition to chapter seventy of the General Statutes, relating to divorce ;

H. 262. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list ;

And do not concur in their passage.

Mr. Rounds offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That as members of the House, we tender our hearty thanks to the Hon. John W. Stewart, for the able, impartial and unexceptionable manner in which he has discharged the arduous, responsible and delicate duties of the office of Speaker ;

Which was read and unanimously adopted.

Mr. White, of Windsor, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representatives are due to the Clerk, John H. Flagg, Esq., and also to his assistants, for the promptness and courtesy with which the business of the department has been transacted during the present session ;

Which was read and unanimously adopted.

Mr. Sherman offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Rev. N. P. Foster, for the able and interesting manner in which he has performed the duties pertaining to the office of Chaplain of this House during the present session ;

Which was read and unanimously adopted.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 118. An act in addition to an act entitled " An act for the relief of school district number four, in St. Albans " ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bill entitled

H. 232. An act to amend section thirteen, chapter forty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled, " Of levy of execution " ;

And concurred therein.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bills entitled

H. 161. An act to pay James H. Phelps the sum therein mentioned ;

H. 246. An act to pay E. B. Sawyer the sum therein mentioned ;

H. 274. An act to pay E. N. Spaulding the sum therein mentioned ;

Reported adversely to their passage ; whereupon the third reading of said bills was severally refused.

On motion of Mr. Bullard, House bill entitled

H. 37. An act to amend section eighty-three, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, relating to the division of public money among school districts ;

Was taken up. The question being, Shall the substitute bill (H. 267) be amended, as fourthly moved by Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield? it was decided in the negative.

Pending the question, on the remaining amendments moved by Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, by unanimous consent, Mr. Cleaveland, of Brookfield, had leave to withdraw the same ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to request the House of

Representatives to return to the possession of the Senate, House bill entitled

H. 232. An act to amend section thirteen, chapter forty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of levy of execution."

Mr. Rounds moved that the vote concurring in the Senate proposal of amendment to said bill be reconsidered ;

Which motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Rounds, it was

Ordered, that the Clerk be directed to return to the possession of the Senate said bill.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have adopted, on their part, a joint resolution granting pay to the Reporters of the General Assembly,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Reporters of the Senate and House receive from the State for their services the present session, the same pay as is allowed to members of the General Assembly ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Park, Senate bill entitled

S. 8. An act relating to criminal prosecutions ;

Was taken up and passed in concurrence.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have considered bills, originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 97. An act to authorize the removal of obstructions from Onion River and its tributaries ;

H. 135. An act to pay James A. Pollard the sum therein mentioned ;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

The Senate have considered

H. 271. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Weybridge for the year 1866 ;

H. 232. An act to amend section thirteen, chapter forty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of levy of execution";

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Mr. Rounds moved that the House do now take a recess of thirty minutes; which motion was agreed to.

At the expiration of which, the Speaker resumed the chair.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to ask the House of Representatives to return to the possession of the Senate, House bill entitled

H. 97. An act to authorize the removal of obstructions from Onion River and its tributaries.

On motion of Mr. Rounds, it was

Ordered that the Clerk be directed to return to the possession of the Senate, House bill entitled

H. 97. An act to authorize the removal of obstructions from Onion river and its tributaries.

Mr. Wheelock offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the Congregational Society, of which the Rev. Wm. H. Lord is pastor, for public worship on the Sabbath during the months of May, June, July, August, September, and until the annual session of the Legislature, in October, A. D. 1867;

Which was read, and the adoption thereof refused.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have adopted, on their part, a joint resolution relating to the pay of the employees of the State House,

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Shuffleton moved that the vote whereby the House refused to adopt, on its part, the joint resolution granting the use of the Representatives' Hall to the Congregational Society, be reconsidered,

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House? it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, the joint resolution instructing our members in Congress, as to the subject of impartial suffrage, was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. Pease, was

Ordered to lie.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the employees of the Sergeant-at-Arms, who have had charge of the State House, be paid for their service at the rate of three dollars per day ;

Was read, and the adoption thereof refused.

Mr. Prout moved that the House do now take a recess of fifteen minutes ; which motion was agreed to.

At the expiration of which, the Speaker resumed the chair.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the Senate, of the following titles, viz :

S. 22. An act to incorporate the Providence Orphan Asylum and Hospital at Burlington ;

S. 23. An act to incorporate the St. Albans Marble Company ;

S. 64. An act in relation to the naturalization of aliens ;

S. 75. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act to incorporate the Village of Rutland, approved November 15, 1847," approved November 9, 1865 ;

S. 78. An act amending an act to incorporate the Vermont State Agricultural Society, approved November 18, 1856 " ;

S. 92. An act in addition to chapter seventy-nine of the General Statutes, entitled "Of money of account and interest" ;

S. 82. An act in amendment of section one, chapter twenty-two, of the General Statutes, and relating to the Board of Education.

The Senate have considered, and passed in concurrence, House bills entitled

H. 97. An act to authorize the removal of obstructions from Onion river and its tributaries ;

H. 265. An act relating to the division of public money among school districts, and in amendment of sections eighty-three and eighty-six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bills entitled

H. 97. An act to authorize the removal of obstructions from Onion river and its tributaries ;

H. 265. An act relating to the division of public money among school districts, and in amendment of sections eighty-three and eighty-six of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes ;

And concurred therein.

On motion of Mr. Miner it was

Ordered, that the Clerk be directed to inform the Senate, that the House have, on their part, completed the business of the session, and are ready to adjourn without day.

Mr. Butterfield moved that the Clerk be directed to request the Senate to return to the possession of the House the joint resolution relating to the pay of State House employees ;

Which motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Marvin offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are hereby tendered to the Messengers of this body, for the very active, faithful and obliging manner in which they have discharged the duties of their appointment, during the present session of the Legislature ;

Which was read and adopted.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have considered the joint resolution from the House, granting the use of the Representatives' Hall to the Congregational Society of Montpelier ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence with a proposal of amendment.

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills originating in the Senate, of the following titles, viz :

S. 2. An act in relation to the earnings of married women, and in addition to chapter seventy-one of the General Statutes ;

S. 7. An act to amend section sixty-one, chapter eighty-nine, of the General Statutes ;

S. 18. An act to amend section seventeen, chapter eighty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of insurance companies" ;

S. 43. An act to survey and establish the boundary line between the towns of Belvidere and Bakersfield ;

S. 44. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Burlington," approved November 22, 1864 ;

S. 65. An act to incorporate the New York, New England and Montreal Express Company ;

S. 80. An act to provide for the repairs of highways ;

S. 84. An act to incorporate the Eolian Hotel Company ;

S. 85. An act to incorporate the Union Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, of Rutland ;

S. 86. An act relating to the collection of town taxes ;

S. 89. An act ceding to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over sites for custom-houses ;

S. 90. An act providing that towns may elect a collector of taxes ;

S. 93. An act to amend an act, approved November 21, 1864, entitled "An act to provide for the repairs of houses of public worship" ;

S. 94. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Cornwall for the year 1866 ;

S. 97. An act relating to the printing of the grand list ;

S. 103. An act to appropriate money for the State Library ;

S. 108. An act assessing a tax on the county of Washington ;

S. 111. An act to incorporate the Monkton Kaolin Company ;

S. 112. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Brooksville Edge Tool Company," approved October 24, 1861 ;

S. 118. An act to legalize the grand lists of the town of Jamaica for the years 1863, 1864 and 1865 ;

S. 115. An act in addition to section seven of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to text-books prescribed for use in the district schools of this State.

I am also directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have, on their part, completed the business of the session, and are ready to adjourn without day.

The House considered the Senate proposal of amendment to the joint resolution granting the use of the Representatives' Hall to the Congregational Society of Montpelier, And concurred therein.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed, to wait on the Governor and inform him that the House have, on their part, completed the business of the session, and are ready to adjourn without day ;

Which was read and adopted ; whereupon the Speaker designated as the committee under said resolution,

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall,

“ Rounds.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, from the committee appointed to wait on his Excellency, the Governor, reported that the committee had performed the duty assigned to them, and that his Excellency had informed them that he would soon transmit his final message to the House of Representatives.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Gay, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor, to inform the House of Representatives, that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly ;

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House ;

H. 143. An act directing listers to notify persons when assessed for money on hand, debts due, stock in trade, or manufactures ;

H. 260. An act relating to the duties of the Board of Education, and the examination of teachers ;

H. 272. An act defining the jurisdiction of town clerks ;

H. 273. An act amending section three of an act entitled “ An act instructing the Committee to make up the Grand List, to correct the list of the county of Washington for the year 1865, and for other purposes,” approved November 8, 1866 ;

H. 277. An act fixing the salaries of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk and Assistant Clerks of the House of Representatives ;

H. 271. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Weybridge for the year 1866 ;

H. 232. An act to amend section thirteen, chapter forty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of levy of execution."

I am further directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has received their communication that they have, on their part, completed the business of the session, and that he has no further communication to make to them.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :
To the House of Representatives now in session :

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval, viz :

H. 51. An act in amendment of section seventeen, chapter one hundred and twenty-six, of the General Statutes, relating to fees of members of the General Assembly ;

H. 123. An act to provide water for the State House ;

H. 143. An act directing listers to notify persons when assessed for money on hand, debts due, stock in trade, or manufactures ;

H. 260. An act relating to the duties of the Board of Education, and the examination of teachers ;

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H. 277. An act fixing the salaries of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk and Assistant Clerks of the House of Representatives ;

H. 232. An act to amend section thirteen, chapter forty-seven, of the General Statutes, entitled "Of levy of execution" ;

H. 271. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Weybridge for the year 1866.

AMHERST LAMB, for Committee.

Mr. Miner moved that the House do now adjourn, pending which motion, the Speaker addressed the House, as follows :

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE :—Allow me to express my warmest acknowledgments for your uniform courtesy to myself during the session now about to close, as well as for the flattering terms in which you have been pleased to express your approval of my official service.

While I cannot but be conscious, that in the necessarily hurried organization of the committees of the House, and in the rapid discharge of the daily routine of official duty devolved upon me, I have committed many errors, yet I beg leave to assure you that I have constantly endeavored to redeem my pledge made in the opening of the session.

I shall ever cherish a grateful sense of your kindness, and a pleasant remembrance of our association ; and now, as we separate, permit me to bid each a heartfelt good-by, and to wish you a safe and speedy return to your respective homes.

The motion of Mr. Miner was agreed to, and the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1866.

At eight o'clock in the forenoon, in accordance with the joint resolution for that purpose, the Speaker of the House of Representatives declared the same adjourned without day.

JOHN H. FLAGG,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the State of Vermont, for the Annual Session thereof, beginning on the second Thursday, being the 11th day, of October, A. D. 1866.

JOHN H. FLAGG,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

STATE HOUSE,
Montpelier, November 20, 1866. }

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IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,
October 12, 1866, 11 o'clock A. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution of the two Houses, which is as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That both Houses meet in Joint Assembly at eleven o'clock to-morrow morning, to hear the report of the Committee appointed to canvass the votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer ;

HON. SENECA M. DORR, President of the Senate, *pro tempore*, in the chair ;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Canvassing Committee submitted a report, which was read, and is as follows :

The Committee appointed to canvass votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer, report the number of votes returned as follows :

For Governor :

Whole number of votes returned,	45,412
Necessary for a choice,	22,707
Paul Dillingham has	34,117
Charles N. Davenport,	11,292
Scattering,	3
Majority for Paul Dillingham,	22,822

For Lieutenant Governor :

Whole number of votes returned,	45,039
Necessary for a choice,	22,520
Abraham B. Gardner has	33,919
D. C. Linsley,	11,120
Majority for Abraham B. Gardner,	22,799

For Treasurer:

Whole number of votes returned,	45,410
Necessary for a choice,	22,706
John A. Page has	34,122
L. H. Noyes,	11,288
Majority for John A. Page,	22,834

(Signed) A. G. SOULE, for Committee.

And thereupon the President of the Joint Assembly declared that the said Paul Dillingham, Abraham B. Gardner and John A. Page, having received a majority of all the votes cast by the freemen of this State, are duly elected to the offices respectively named, for the year ensuing.

On motion of Mr. Kellogg, a senator from Windham county, the President appointed Senator Kellogg and Messrs. Rounds of Chester, and Clark of Poultney, of the House, a committee to wait upon his Excellency, the Governor elect, inform him of his election, and that the Joint Assembly is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make.

The committee subsequently appeared within the bar of the House, accompanied by his Excellency, the Governor elect, who informed the Joint Assembly of his acceptance of the office to which he had been elected, and that he proposed to then receive and subscribe to the oath of office, which oath was duly administered by the President of the Joint Assembly and subscribed to by his Excellency.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,
Clerk.

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,
October 16, A. D. 1866, 2 : 30 P. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution, which is as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Tuesday next, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, to elect a Secretary of State, Sergeant-at-Arms, Auditor of Accounts, Superintendent of

the State Prison, Commissioner of the Insane, Bank Commissioner, Railroad Commissioner, Adjutant and Inspector General, Quartermaster General, Judge Advocate General, and three Directors of the State Prison for the year ensuing;

His Honor, ABRAHAM B. GARDNER, President of the Senate, in the chair;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to the election of the officers named in the foregoing resolution, and the following elections were made by a *viva voce* vote:

GEORGE NICHOLS, of Northfield,
Secretary of State,

To whom the oath of office was duly administered by the President of the Joint Assembly.

ZEBINA C. CAMP, of Montpelier,
Sergeant-at-Arms.

DUGALD STEWART, of Middlebury,
Auditor of Accounts.

JAMES A. POLLARD, of Windsor,
Superintendent of State Prison.

The Joint Assembly then proceeded to the election of a Commissioner of the Insane, and the ballots having been taken and examined by the tellers, it appeared that

HOMER GOODHUE, of Westminster,
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

The President directed the Joint Assembly to the election of a Bank Commissioner, and the ballots having been taken and examined by the tellers, it appeared that

ASA R. CAMP, of Stowe,
had been duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

The Joint Assembly then proceeded to the election of the remaining officers, named in the foregoing resolution, and the following elections were made by a *viva voce* vote:

DAVID E. NICHOLSON, of Wallingford,
Railroad Commissioner.

WILLIAM WELLS, of Waterbury,
Adjutant and Inspector General.

PERLEY P. PITKIN, of Montpelier,
Quartermaster General.

STEPHEN F. ATWOOD, of Monkton,
Judge Advocate General.

CHARLES A. FORBUSH, of Springfield,
First Director of State Prison.

SAMUEL MERRIAM, of Johnson,
Second Director of State Prison.

HENRY LANE, of Cornwall,
Third Director of State Prison.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,
Clerk.

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,

October 18, A. D. 1866, 3 o'clock P. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution, which is as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Thursday, the 18th instant, at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing Judges of the Supreme Court, and a Reporter of the Decisions of said court, for the year ensuing ;

His Honor, ABRAHAM B. GARDNER, President of the Senate, in the chair ;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Joint Assembly then proceeded to elect the officers named in the foregoing resolution, and the following elections were made by a *viva voce* vote :

JOHN PIERPOINT, of Vergennes,
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

JAMES BARRETT, of Woodstock,
First Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court.

LOYAL C. KELLOGG, of Rutland,
Second Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court.

ASAHEL PECK, of Montpelier,
Third Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court.

WILLIAM C. WILSON, of Bakersfield,
Fourth Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court.

BENJAMIN H. STEELE, of Derby,
Fifth Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court.

WHEELOCK G. VEAZEY, of Rutland,
Reporter of the Decisions of the Supreme Court.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,
Clerk.

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY, }
October 24, 12 o'clock, M., A. D. 1866. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for senators in Congress," approved July 25, A. D. 1866, and in conformity to a joint resolution, which is as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly, at twelve o'clock meridian of this day, (October 24, 1866,) for the purpose of completing the election of a senator of the United States, for the State of Vermont, for the full term of six years from and including the fourth day of March, A. D. 1867 ; also, to complete the election of a senator of the United States, for the State of Vermont, for the vacancy occasioned by the death of the late Hon. Jacob Collamer ; also, to complete the election of a senator of the United States, for the State of Vermont, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the late Hon. Solomon Foot, as required by an act of Congress, entitled "An act to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for senators in Congress," approved July 25, 1866 ;

His Honor, ABRAHAM B. GARDNER, President of the Senate, in the chair ;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

That portion of the Journal of the House for October 23, A. D. 1866, relating to the election of the first officer named in the foregoing joint resolution, having been read by the Clerk, Mr. Flagg, and that portion of the Journal of the Senate of the same date, relating to the election of the same officer, having been read by the Secretary, Mr. Clark, and it appearing therefrom that

JUSTIN S. MORRILL, of Strafford, had received a majority of all the votes cast, he was declared, duly elected, a senator from the State of Vermont, to represent said State in the Congress of the United States, for the term of six years from and after the third day of March, A. D. 1867.

That portion of the Journal of the House for October 23, 1866, relating to the election of the second officer named in the foregoing joint resolution, having been read by the Clerk, Mr. Flagg, and that portion of the Journal of the Senate of the same date, and relating to the election of the same officer, having been read by the Secretary, Mr. Clark, and it appearing therefrom that

LUKE P. POLAND, of St. Johnsbury, had received a majority of all the votes cast, he was declared, duly elected, a senator from the State of Vermont, to represent said State in the Congress of the United States, during the unexpired term of the late Hon. Jacob Collamer, ending the third day of March, A. D. 1867.

That portion of the Journal of the House for October 23, A. D. 1866, relating to the third officer named in the foregoing joint resolution, having been read by the Clerk, Mr. Flagg, and that portion of the Journal of the Senate of the same date, relating to the election of the same officer, having been read by the Secretary, Mr. Clark, and it appearing therefrom that

GEORGE F. EDMUNDS, of Burlington, had received a majority of all the votes cast, he was declared, duly elected, a senator from the State of Vermont, to represent said State in the Congress of the United States, during the unexpired term of the late Hon. Solomon Foot, ending the third day of March A. D. 1869.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,
Clerk,

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,
October 26, 1866, 3 o'clock P. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution, which is as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Friday, the 26th instant, at three o'clock in the afternoon, to hear the report of the committee appointed to canvass the votes for county and probate officers, and if necessary, to complete the election of such officers ;

HON. SENECA M. DORR, President of the Senate, *pro tempore*, in the chair ;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

Mr. Martin, a senator from Orange county, chairman of the Canvassing Committee, reported that the following persons had been found and declared duly elected to the offices annexed to their names, respectively, to wit ;

ADDISON COUNTY.

Jonas N. Smith, }
Ebenezer H. Weeks, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*
Calvin G. Tilden, *Judge of Probate, District of Addison.*
Harvey Munsill, *Judge of Probate for District of New Haven.*

Levi Meader, *State's Attorney.*

Gaius A. Collamer, *Sheriff.*

Edward Gorham, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

ADDISON.
Heman Converse,
Gideon W. Whitford,
Charles Merrill,
Asahel Barnes,
Henry Willmarth,
Carleton W. Read,
Stukeley W. Smith.

BRIDPORT.
Joseph K. Ferre,
Nathan S. Bennett,
Sheldon Smith,
Charles A. Wicker,
Jesse Crane, 2d,
William R. Brasted,
Joel H. Lucia.

BRISTOL.
Harvey Munsill,
Datus R. Gage,
Seneca Sumner,
Horace Farr,

Henry C. Soper,
Noble L. Johns,
John H. Barnum.

CORNWALL.
Orrin Field,
Simeon S. Rockwell,
Abram Foot,
Samuel Everts,
Harris Bingham.

FERRISBURGH.
Reuben Parker,
Putnam Allen,
Jared B. Booth,
John Q. Adams,
George D. Webb,
Cyrus W. Wicker,
Oliver H. Hand.

GOSHEN.
Francis Brown,
Shubel R. Stickney,
Nathan Capen,

Harvey Z. Churchill,
Daniel Hooker.

GRANVILLE.
Joseph P. Ball,
Rufus M. Hubbard,
George V. Wilson,
David H. Whitney,
Daniel Tarbell.

HANCOCK.
Ehud Darling,
Charles G. Robbins,
Augustus Taylor,
John H. Andress,
Alden E. Ingalls.

LEICESTER.
Daniel G. Henry,
Luther C. Beach,
Clemens Brownson,
Albert G. Barker,
William Powers.

LINCOLN.

Daniel H. Sargent,
Stephen M. Colby,
Lewis Smead,
Charles C. Clark,
Watson Morgan,
William W. Pope,
George W. Burnham.

MIDDLEBURY.

John W. Stewart,
Thomas M. McLeod,
Henry S. Foot,
Rufus Wainwright,
James M. Slade,
Joseph Smith,
J. P. Champlin,
Horace Crane,
Ira W. Clark,
Dugald Stewart.

MONKTON.

Platt R. Gage,
Philemon Hier,
Henry B. Williams,
Jacob Van Steinburg,
Gilbert D. Eastman,
M. Olin French,
Spencer E. Fuller.

NEW HAVEN.

Jabez W. Langdon,
Lewis Russell,
George W. Brown,
Oliver Smith,
Erastus S. Hinman,
Henry O. Gifford,
Samuel P. Nash.

ORWELL.

Chauncey H. Conkey,
Roswell Bottum,
Rodney D. Hall,
Henry C. Holley,
Rodney F. White,
Stephen N. Warren,
Samuel H. Bascom.

PANTON.

B. F. Gaines,
William H. Tenbroeck,
Hopkins F. Gaines,
Emerson Holland,
Jonathan Spencer.

RIPTON.

William E. Cushman,
Amos Wheeler,
Samuel H. Hendrick,
Milo K. Day,
Charles G. Damon.

SALISBURY.

Ebenezer H. Weeks,
Charles Everts,
Darius Holman,
Columbus Smith,
Emulus A. Bump,
A. P. Cutting.

SHOREHAM.

Myron W. C. Wright,
Thurman Brookins,
Marvin North,
Rollin Birchard,
Lynde Catlin,
H. Bruce Wright,
Samuel Moore.

STARKSBORO.

Myron Small,
Sidney Sayles,
John M. Layn,
Eleazer Ross,
Albert Orvis,
Joseph Grennell,
Thomas Casey, 2d.

VERGENNES.

George W. Grandey,
George H. Scott,
John E. Roberts,
Henry C. Horton,
Benjamin B. Allen,
Hiram Adams,
Levi Meader.

WALTHAM.

Henry S. Cross,
Harry Everts,
Rollin B. Benton,
John H. Sprague,
Henry A. Hawley.

WEYBRIDGE.

A. Darius Hayward,
George L. Harrington,
Martin E. Sprague,
Edwin S. Wright,
Andrew J. Child.

WHITING.

Whitfield Walker,
Abraham B. Huntley,
Freeman G. Wright,
Calvin Foster,
William H. Casey.

BENNINGTON COUNTY.

Edward M. Aylesworth, } *Ass't Judges of County Court.*
Hiram Cole, }
Thomas White, *Judge of Probate for District of Ben-*
nington.
Elias B. Burton, *Judge of Probate for District of Man-*
chester.
Harrison Prindle, *State's Attorney.*
Leander Powers, *Sheriff.*
James L. McCall, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

ARLINGTON.

Charles G. Turner,
Harmon Canfield,
Isaac T. Hyde,
Jerome N. B. Thomas,
Edward M. Aylesworth,
Dormon Andrew,
Austin Bartlett.]

BENNINGTON.

Ira C. Hawkes,
Henry V. D. Spiegel,
Edward Kinsley,
William E. Hawkes,
Levi A. Knight,
Rufus Towseley,
Samuel L. Godfrey,

Thomas White,
John R. Gates,
Samuel F. Harris,
Harmon Myers,
D. W. Hyde.

DORSET.

Isaac N. Sykes,
Spafford F. Holley,

John L. Batchelder,
Chas. Smith,
Sherman Nichols,
James B. Wood,
Austin Ladd,
Andrus Bowen,
Joseph R. Green,
Stephen Grout.

GLASTENBURY.

Geo. Eddy,
John H. Mattison,
German Harrington,
Philip Elwell,
Truman T. Elwell.
(See Special Report)

LANDGROVE.

James Martin,
Josiah Brown,
Warren W. Willey,
Ambrose Woodard,
Amori Benson.

MANCHESTER.

Wm. R. Dean,
Sidney S. Hill,
Ranney Howard,
Jno. C. Roberts,
Ahiman L. Miner,
Fowler W. Hoyt,
Harvey K. Fowler.

PERU.

Ira K. Batchelder,
Mark B. Lyon,
James L. Haynes,
Obadiah N. Russell,
Joseph R. Utley.

POWNA.

Wm. R. Blanchard,
Nathan Bullock,
Samuel J. Gardner,
Robert W. Bennett,
Joseph B. Myers,
Levi Lincoln,
Josiah W. Wright.

READSBORO.

Montraville Davison,
Milton B. Bishop,
Caleb Willis,
Elijah Parsons,
Wm. H. Follett.

RUPERT.

Joseph Parker,
James E. Austin,
Seymour Harwood,
Thomas L. Sheldon,
John Jenkins,
Geo. Jenks,
John Farrar.

SANDGATE.

Willis S. Bentley,
Justin E. Brush,
Burr Hurd,
Lorenzo A. Bennett,
Chauncey J. Hurd.

SEARSBURGH.

George Bond,
Wm. O'Brien,
Joseph Crosier,
Jno. B. Stevens,
O. W. Irish.

SHAFTSBURY.

Samuel Ames,
Geo. P. Montgomery,
Joseph Wait,
Hiram Barton,
Martin Mattison,
Francis L. Childs,
Joseph H. Wheeler.

STAMFORD.

James R. Houghton,
Wm. S. Brooks,
Silas W. Webster,
Chas. H. Crosier,
James M. Peak.

SUNDERLAND.

Henry E. Thurston,
Gilbert W. Bradley,
George Guild,
Hartland J. Judson,
Dexter Pierce.

WINHALL.

Chauncey C. Wheeler,
David Farnum,
Joshua Barnard,
Geo. T. Shanks,
Franklin W. Sheldon.

WOODFORD.

Amasa P. Cutler,
Ethni Evens,
Stephen Gleason,
Amos Aldrich,
Frederick Eddy.

The committee reported that the town of Glastenbury is entitled to five justices of the peace, and that George Eddy, John H. Mattison, German Harrington, Truman T. Elwell, John Elwell and Philip Elwell, had each received an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Eddy, the representative from the town of Glastenbury, George Eddy, John H. Mattison, German Harrington, Philip Elwell and Truman T. Elwell, were duly elected to that office.

CALEDONIA COUNTY.

Wm. B. Palmer,
Francis R. Carpenter, } *Ass't Judges of County Court.*
Asa L. French, *Judge of Probate.*
A. J. Willard, *State's Attorney.*
David Trull, *Sheriff.*
G. L. Bradley, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

BARNET.
Edward B. Clement,
L. D. Hazen,
J. Childs Kent,
Cland Sommers,
Carleton Lawrence,
Alexander Blair, Jr.,
Andrew Warden.

BURKE.
Ashael Burrington,
John S. J. Bemis,
Horace Burpee,
Daniel S. Townshend,
Joel Trull,
Daniel Beckwith,
Hiram Allard.

DANVILLE.
Levi H. Harris,
Wm. J. Stanton,
W. H. Preston,
Andrew McMillan,
Daniel O. Gookin,
J. S. H. Weeks,
Benjamin Greenbanks,
Jason Cole,
David F. Thompson,
Jas. B. Mattocks.

GROTON.
Jonathan R. Darling,
Daniel Roberts,
Benjamin Page,
Isaac N. Hall,
Martin Weld.

HARDWICK.
Finley Green,
A. Manning Amsden,
Samuel Goodrich,
Christopher F. Conant,
Sylvester C. Eaton,
Ira G. Stevens,
Joel R. Ainsworth.

KIRBY.
Charles H. Graves,
Merit Newhall,
E. W. Church,
Palmer W. Russell,
Joseph Nickerson.

LYNDON.
George C. Peck,
George H. Weeks,
Charles M. Chase,
John M. Hoyt,
J. T. G. Cunningham,
William Randall,
Stephen K. McGaffey.

NEWARK.
Erastus Woodruff,
George E. Powers,
Calvin C. Burns,
Simon B. Corliss,
James Wire.

PEACHAM.
Lafayette Strowbridge,
John Varnum, Jr.,
Alonzo Robbins,
Ephraim W. Clark,
Sprague E. Harriman,
James Davis,
John C. Blanchard.

RYEGATE.
Robert Gibson,
James White,
Robert Symes,
Moses Gates,
Robert Nelson,
Alexander Cochran,
James Dickey.

SHEPFIELD.
Joseph Ingalls,
Elisha Davis,
Rollin O. Knapp,
Spencer Drake,
Isaac H. Wilmot.

ST. JOHNSBURY.
John Bacon, 2d,
John Morse,
James R. Stevens,
John C. Potter,
Luther C. Matthews,
Leonard B. Harrington,
Albert G. Chadwick,
Theron Howard,
David Boynton,
Phineas Alden,
Wm. H. Horton,
Noah Eastman.

SUTTON.
David Powers,
Thos. J. Barker,
Jacob B. Gordon,
Harlow Easterbrook,
Jonathan Powers.

WALDEN.
Hiram Perkins,
Isaac Patterson,
Alonzo E. Dutton,
Nathaniel Perkins,
James M. Fisher,
Jacob Dutton,
Nathan S. Moore.

WATERFORD.
Lucius S. Freeman,
Francis R. Carpenter,
Stephen Richardson,
Willard Kinney,
Miles S. Hovey,
Nathaniel Lee,
Brigham Pike.

WHEELOCK.
Henry Perley,
William Chase,
A. W. Davis,
Samuel H. Jones,
Charles Rogers, Jr.

The committee further reported that the town of Newark is entitled to five justices of the peace, four only are elected, and that James Wire and Luther Morrill have the next highest and an equal number of votes ; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Ross, the representative from the town of St. Johnsbury, James Wire was duly elected to that office.

CHITTENDEN COUNTY.

William V. Reynolds, } *Ass't Judges of County Court.*
Safford Colby, }
Torrey E. Wales, *Judge of Probate.*
Leverett B. Englesby, *State's Attorney.*
William D. Munson, *Sheriff.*
Oscar F. Tuttle, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

BOLTON.
Truman T. Church,
Harmon Hall,
Russell J. Morse,
Samuel Deavitt,
Andrew Cox.

BURLINGTON.
Torrey E. Wales,
Nathan S. Hill,
Charles Russell,
John B. Hollenbeck,
Edwin W. Chase,
Henry Rolfe,
Leverett B. Englesby,
Charles C. Morse,
Henry Ballard,
Horace W. Smith,
Jeremiah French,
Daniel Roberts,
Harvey H. Talcott,
John J. Monahan,
Lathan F. Truman.

CHARLOTTE.
Elanson H. Wheeler,
Aaron L. Beach,
Ezra Hosford,
David C. Gillett,
Joshua M. Dean,
Joseph Barton,
James Squier.

COLCHESTER.
John Upham,
A. O. Hood,
Benjamin B. Hine,
Arthur A. Allen,
Ira O. Bargtow,
Homer Porter,
John D. Gale,
Henry W. Austin,
Alfred C. Ballard,
Albert C. Brown,
Henry W. Goodwin,
Thomas S. Brownell.

ESSEX.
Dwight E. Slater,
Marvin L. Snyder,

Alfred B. Halbert,
Daniel Morgan,
Lucius C. Butler,
A. A. Ingraham,
Timothy W. K. Nichols.

HINESBURGH.
Elmer Beecher,
Harmon Toby,
Joseph Landon,
Lorenzo Murray,
Wm. J. Douglass,
Spencer Mead,
Henry Palmer.

HUNTINGTON.
Alfred E. Bates,
Solomon Johns,
Gideon B. Andrews,
Henry R. Norton,
Hawley W. Judson.

JERICHO.
John T. Clapp,
Orson H. Shaw,
Milo H. Chapin,
Rufus Brown,
Lyman Stimson,
Ezra Elliott,
Isaac C. Stone.

MILTON.
Daniel H. Onion,
Harry Everest,
Lester Rice,
Joseph B. Robinson,
Chester A. Blake,
Daniel F. Quinn,
Charles J. Ladd.

RICHMOND.
Safford Colby,
Ezra B. Green,
Salmon Green,
Nathan Burr,
Ezra B. Andrews,
Giles Howe,
A. K. Jacobs.

SHELburne.
Wm. Harmon,
John L. Barstow,
Ira B. Wicker,
Lyman Hall,
Robert J. White,
Geo. W. Curry,
Edgar Nash.

SOUTH BURLINGTON.
John E. Smith,
Lemuel S. Drew,
Thaddeus F. Stewart,
Edward Van Sicklen,
John Williams.

ST. GEORGE.
John V. S. Isham,
Norman Isham,
Wm. V. Mobbs,
George K. Hinsdale,
Orlo S. Lockwood.

UNDERHILL.
Martin E. Haggood,
Asa L. Lane,
A. Newell Clark,
Asahel C. Robinson,
John R. Reynolds,
Norman B. Perry,
Patrick Barrett.

WESTFORD.
Amos Hobart,
Alney Stone,
Rejoice M. Huntley,
James H. Macomber,
Wm. Henry,
Noah Tyler,
Thaddeus E. Dunlap.

WILLISTON.
Truman A. Chittenden,
McKenzie M. Talcott,
Ezbon Sanford,
Anson Shaw,
Chauncey W. Brownell,
Wm. Miller,
Norman E. Miller.

ESSEX COUNTY.

Joseph W. Cooper, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*
Richard Small, }
Jonah Brooks, *Judge of Probate.*
David S. Stores, *State's Attorney.*
James W. Cades, *Sheriff.*
Daniel G. May, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

BLOOMFIELD.

John S. Staples,
Henry Fuller, Jr.,
Samuel N. Silver,
Wm. Stevens,
Alonzo A. Martin.

BRIGHTON.

William R. Rosebrooks,
John D. Connolly,
William Mason,
Arba Joy,
Charles M. Dyer.

BRUNSWICK.

Daniel M. Smith,
John D. French,
Henry D. Shoff,
Daniel H. Shoff,
Andrew J. Taylor.

CANAAN.

Levi R. Dean,
William Rich,
Hiram P. Cooper,
Marvin Fletcher,
Willard G. Cushman.

CONCORD.

John Morse,
Joseph E. Woodbury,
Horace C. Woodward,
Hubbard Hastings,
Charles Chase,
Hiram Wallace,
Franklin C. Grant.

EAST HAVEN.

William M. Smith,
Oscar T. Walter,
James Campeon,
Abraham S. Howard,
Horace Baxter.

GRANBY.

Ashley Appleton,
Loomis Wells,
Gershom Carpenter,
Richard T. Boyce,
George W. Shores.

GUILDHALL.

William H. Hartshorn,
Azro Burton,
Charles E. Benton,
Abner Bailey,
William C. Washburn.

LEMINGTON.

John Cook,
Elias Lyman,
Arthur T. Holbrook,
Hiram M. Harvey,
Albert Harris.

LUNENBURGH.

Wm. Chandler,
Sylvanus Lane,
James G. Bowker,
Franklin Bell,
Nathaniel W. French,
James Morse,
John W. Hartshorn.

MAIDSTONE.

Putney R. Follansby,
William Morse,
Joseph Rich,
Josiah H. Benton,
Ira C. Cameron.

VICTORY.

Geo. A. Appleton,
A. J. Shaw,
John R. Lee.

(See Special Report.)

The Committee further reported that the town of Victory is entitled to five justices of the peace, three only are elected, and that Horace B. Jones, Jeremiah Ingraham and Jacob Evans have received the next highest and an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Appleton, the representative from the town of Victory, Horace B. Jones and Jeremiah Ingraham were duly elected to that office.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Warren Robinson, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*
George Adams, }
A. J. Samson, *Judge of Probate.*
Dana R. Bailey, *State's Attorney.*
A. J. Soule, *Sheriff.*
Ephraim Corliss, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

BAKERSFIELD.

Simeon G. Start,
Henry J. Armington,
Stephen T. Larnard,
Ira Powers,
Merritt Barnes,
James A. Perkins,
L. Munson Hull.

BERKSHIRE.

Linus Leavens,
Joel G. Gaines,
George L. Ewens,
George S. Goodrich,
Henry Ladd,
James R. Stone,
Joseph Smith.

ENOSBURGH.

Samuel H. Stevens,
Anson S. Ladd,
Samuel H. Dow,
Caleb R. Brewer,
Niles E. Baker,
Daniel Woodward,
William H. McAllister.

Virgil Bogue,
Stephen B. Maynard,
F. R. Perkins.

FAIRFAX.
Cassius Buck,
James M. Hotchkiss,
Isaac S. T. Story,
G. N. Wells,
Alonzo G. Brush,
James Bellows,
Samuel Maxfield.

FAIRFIELD.
Darius S. Barlow,
Newton Herrick,
Albert Sturgess,
I. M. Soule,
Edward H. Wallace,
Daniel Leach,
O. Bradley,
Moses Elwood,
John Nowland,
William Chadwick.

FLETCHER.
Lorenzo Blaisdell,
Ebenezer Bailey,
Medad R. Parsons,
Giles Rugg,
Nelson W. Church.

FLANKLIN.
Nahum Temple,
William C. Robie,
Philo Horskin,
John K. Whitney,
Jonathan Fowle,
James C. Spaulding,
Roswell Mears.

GEORGIA.

Cyrus Hotchkiss,
John Reynolds,
Josiah Ballard,
William K. Warner,
Harvey Colton,
Elikaim S. Fairchild,
Joseph Evarts.

HIGHGATE.

Walter C. Stevens,
A. S. Spear,
Asa Whitcomb,
Edwin C. Thompson,
Samuel W. Jenison,
William Keys,
Melvin Church,
Sherman Teachaut,
Lorenzo D. Cross,
Loren Pomeroy,

MONTGOMERY.

Bethuel W. Fuller,
Rufus Hamilton,
William H. Stiles,
George C. C. Gates,
Aaron S. Samson,
Otis L. Kelton,
Heman Hopkins, Jr.

RICHFORD.

William Y. Wightman,
James G. Powell,
Harvey D. Farrar,
Sherman W. Sears,
Edwin S. Locke,
Alvin S. Chase,
George W. Gibson.

SHELDON.

Benjamin Fish,
Joseph Fairbanks,
John Whittemore,
Andrew Durkee,
Eli D. Marino,
S. N. Hunter,
Lemuel Adams.

ST. ALBANS.

William Bridges,
John Nason,
Leonard Gilman,
H. H. Bowman,
Putnam G. Stone,
William H. Abell,
Freeborn E. Bell,
Ransaler E. Sherman,
Lucius H. Goff,
E. S. Brooks,
Ralph Lasell,
Henry E. Seymour.

SWANTON.

George Green,
Wheelock S. Thayer,
Elery W. Janes,
M. H. Bliss,
Theodore B. Marvin,
Henry L. Brainerd,
Edwin S. Meigs,
David O. Potter,
Alfred Forbes,
H. M. Percival.

GRAND ISLE COUNTY.

Allen R. Manning, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*
Jabez Ladd, }
Heman W. Allen, *Judge of Probate.*
John M. Hawrican, *State's Attorney.*
Giles H. Hawrican, *Sheriff.*
Lafayette Sowles, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

ALBURGH.
Benjamin Gordon,
George S. Sweet,
Hiram P. Kinsley,
David S. Sweet,
Danforth Mott,
William A. LaDue,
David Marvin.

GRAND ISLE.
Jabez Ladd,
Edwin Adams,

Daniel Webster Dixon,
Seth Griffith,
Seth Gordon.

ISLE LA MOTTE.

Nelson S. Hill,
Hiram C. Fisk,
James Watson,
Ezra Fleury,
Dorus V. Goodsell.

NORTH HERO.
Asahel Allen,

William Hyde,
Elisha Hibbard,
Fred. Parks,
John Dodds.

SOUTH HERO.

Edward F. M. Fletcher,
Solon S. Clark,
Proctor B. Adams,
Henry Robinson,
Edmond Barnes.

LAMOILLE COUNTY.

Lyman W. Holmes, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*
 R. S. Page, }
 Norman Atwood, *Judge of Probate.*
 R. F. Parker, *State's Attorney.*
 David Randall, *Sheriff.*
 James T. Parish, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

BELVIDERE.

Charles B. Weston.
 Jerry Shattuck.
 Thomas Potter.
 Welcome Thomas.
 Orin A. Thomas.

CAMBRIDGE.

Amasa Thomson.
 David Lewis.
 Melvin V. Parker.
 John Brush, 2d.
 Farewell Weatherbee.
 Jno. H. Page.
 Hiram A. Morgan.

EDEN.

Edwin C. White.
 Abel S. Hines.
 Amasa Stevens.
 Barnabas Hines.
 Simeon Ingalls.

ELMORE.

Albert M. Woodbury.
 George Gray.
 John P. Capron.
 Levi H. Doty.
 Heman H. Elmore.

HYDEPARK.

Nelson F. Keeler.
 Thomas W. Hyde.
 Alonzo Cobleigh.
 Alfred Holbrook.
 Nelson A. Cleveland.
 Samuel Cinnamon.
 James H. Stratton.

JOHNSON.

Robert Balch.
 Samuel Andrews.
 Lucius H. Wheeler.
 Robert C. Cristy.
 Samuel G. Waters.
 Almon Morris.
 A. W. Caldwell.

MORRISTOWN.

John West.
 Amos Dwinell.
 Jesse Thompson.
 Alden Darling.
 Jonathan P. West.
 Charles B. Wait.
 Ahira Lewis.

STOWE.

Joseph H. Bennett.
 Orion W. Butler.
 Randolph Washburn.
 Azro C. Slayton.
 Hiram Smalley.
 Caleb Goodenough.
 Newell Bigelow.
 Nathaniel Sawyer.
 Oliver Spaulding.
 Josephus Munn.

WATERVILLE.

Ephraim W. Brown.
 Moody Shattuck.
 Geo. W. Hulburd.
 Simeon Giddings.
 Thomas Stevens.

WOLCOTT.

Porter Crane.
 David K. Andrus.
 Alger Jones.
 Benjamin Bullock.
 James K. Noyes.
 Seth H. Peck.
 Squire R. Parker.

ORANGE COUNTY.

Nathaniel King, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*
 William Child, }
 John R. Cleaveland, *Judge of Probate for District of Randolph.*
 Alexander H. Gilmore, *Judge of Probate for District of Bradford.*
 Heman A. White, *State's Attorney.*
 James P. Cleveland, *Sheriff.*
 Charles Crocker, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

BRADFORD.

George W. Fritchard.
 Mills O. Barber.
 John B. Pickett, Jr.
 Moses R. Chamberlin.
 Edwin R. Aldrich.
 Edmund P. Norcross.
 Johnson A. Hardy.

BRAINTREE.

William C. Holman.
 Wm. H. Nichols.
 Ziba Bass.
 Warren Stearns.
 Christopher Huntington.
 Carlos B. Pratt.
 Anson B. Ferry.

BROOKFIELD.

Sprague Arnold.
 Frederick G. Biglow.
 Ephraim F. Claffin.
 Uriah A. Clark.
 John R. Cleaveland.
 Ransom B. Goss.
 John Lamson.

CHELSEA.

Perley C. Jones,
John W. Smith,
Aaron Davis,
Carlos Moore,
Philander Robbins,
Hyde Cabot,
Leander Taplin.

CORINTH.

Daniel R. Cook,
John Richardson,
John R. Berryman,
Daniel Dow,
Lyman Porter,
Geo. W. Little,
Charles E. Harriman.

FAIRLEE.

Geo. A. Morey,
Samuel T. Morey,
John Stratton,
Benjamin Celley,
Wm. H. Bragg.

NEWBURY.

Wm. B. Abbott,
Bailey Avery,
E. C. Stocker,
Caleb Stevens,
Levi L. Tucker,
Hugh Gardner,
J. R. McAllister,
Robert R. Fulton,
John S. Dailey,
Archibald McAllister.

ORANGE.

Edwin G. Peake,
Chester Dickey,

Rodney E. Patterson,
Horace Fifield,
Nathan S. Cutler.

RANDOLPH.

Samuel Howard,
N. Smith Clark,
Chas R. Granger,
Gilbert Tilson,
Oliver Hinchey,
John Buswell,
Charles S. Paine,
Geo. O. Stanley,
David S. Washburn,
John L. Moses.

STRAFFORD.

Charles Barrett,
Nathan B. Cobb,
Phineas Walker,
Jones J. Quimby,
Anson West,
Franklin M. Towle,
Hiram Robinson.

THETFORD.

Harry H. Niles,
Wm. Slade,
Josiah B. Cram,
Melvin N. Russ,
Thomas Jenks,
John Kinsman,
Noah Powers.

TOPSHAM.

James F. George,
Robert McCrellis,
Carlos P. Bill,
Aaron Sanborn,
Joseph Eastman,
Jacob Mills, Jr.,
Wm. T. Corliss.

TUNBRIDGE.

James M. Whitney,
John Moxley,
Jeremy C. Howe,
Nathaniel King,
Lewis Dickerman,
Samuel B. Hackett,
Daniel Cram.

VERSHERE.

Lenox Gilman,
Rufus Blanchard,
Moses Spear,
Thomas Pollard,
Daniel M. Richardson,
Lewis Godfrey,
Amos E. Kinney.

WASHINGTON.

Andrew E. Field,
John B. Sanborn,
Periander Bedee,
Lyman Sargent,
D. G. Blake,
Denison Densmore,
Nelson H. Caswell.

WEST FAIRLEE.

Alvah Bean,
C. M. Holbrook,
F. V. Churchill,
Nathan A. Smith,
John G. Eastman.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

Wm. S. Beckett,
John Lynde,
Walter Newcomb,
Orcutt Abbott,
David Gale,
John M. Palmer,
Nathan Hall.

The committee further reported that the town of Bradford is entitled to seven justices of the peace, six only are elected, and that H. W. Kimball, B. L. Worthley, Johnson A. Hardy and Cyrus Stearns have received the next highest and an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Senator Martin, Johnson A. Hardy was duly elected to that office.

ORLEANS COUNTY.

Josiah B. Wheelock, }
Benjamin Comings, } *Ass't Judges of County Court.*
Edward A. Stewart, *Judge of Probate.*
Lewis H. Bisbee, *State's Attorney.*
James A. Kendall, *Sheriff.*
Jacob Richards, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

ALBANY.

Lyman P. Tenney,
Parley Hyde,
John J. Butler,
Wm. Chamberlin,
Byron Moore,
David Blaisdell,
Luke Story.

BARTON.

John L. Woodman,
Edward Barnard,
Geo. H. Blake,
Simon S. Clark,
Joseph Colley,
Amasa D. Bigelow,
Silas Quint.

BROWNINGTON.

Robert Alaxander, Jr.,
Amariah C. Joslyn,
Orlo H. Austin,
Samuel S. Tinkham,
Ezekiel W. Trow.

CHARLESTON.

Elisha W. Parlin,
George Leland,
Albert Lawrence,
Moses M. Melvin,
Warren Mansur,
Oliver Warren,
A. J. Morrill.

COVENTRY.

John W. Muzzey,
Isaac Parker,
Charles Thrasher,
Erastus Wright,
Warren Mitchell.

CRAFTSBURY.

Henry Douglas,
Adam White,
Hollis F. Allen,
Amasa P. Dutton,
Amory Davison, Jr.,
Horace Cass,
Charles G. Doty.

DERBY.

James Roberts,
Asa Kimball,
Elisha Lane,
N. Sykes Tinker,
Asa B. Nelson,
Ira A. Adams,
John Tinker.

GLOVER.

Fred W. Kimball,
Emery Cook,
Hiram McLellan,
James Simonds,
Fred. P. A. Clark,
Benjamin M. Spaulding,
Joseph Dwinell.

GREENSBORO.

Henry S. Tolman,
John M. Smith,
Jno. Somers,
Jno. A. Sawyer,
Jabez Pinney,
Samuel Ingalls,
Arthur W. Williams.

HOLLAND.

J. Converse Robinson,
George H. Green,
Leander Converse Heath,
Charles C. Lee,
Ira Felch.

IRASBURGH.

Thomas Jameson,
Samuel H. Howard,
Chandler W. Dewey,
Benjamin F. Tower,
Wm. Edmunds,
Ira Bryant,
James Kidder.

JAY.

Newton Chase,
David Johnson,
Thomas J. Witherell,
Joseph Hadlock,
George W. Arven.

LOWELL.

Andrew J. Dodge,
John Harding,
Ammi P. Webster,
Proctor B. Smith,
Edward Stephenson.

MORGAN.

Byram Bartlett,
Matthew Whitehill,
Samuel Lord,
Charles C. Leavens,
John Morse.

NEWPORT.

Orville Robinson,
Lafayette D. Livingstone,
Moses G. Sargent,
Philander Wright,
Hiram Cutting,
Peter Connal,
Darius L. Hildreth.

SALEM.

David Hopkinson,
Porter Lyon,
Abial Cole,
Lewis Shedd,
David N. Gibb.

TROY.

Orin Dorman,
Thomas J. Sartwell,
John DuBois,
Simpson B. Hammond,
Samuel Sumner,
Chester G. Brown,
John Young.

WESTFIELD.

David F. Boynton,
Thomas O. Brown,
Henry Richardson,
Abitha W. Annis,
H. J. Gilpin.

WESTMORE.

Calvin Gibson,
Harry Cheney,
Erasmus P. Spencer,
E. J. Bruce,
Adna D. Bemis.

RUTLAND COUNTY.

Joel W. Ainsworth, }
Barnes Frisbee, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*
Cyrenus M. Willard, *Judge of Probate for District of*
Fairhaven.
Walter C. Dunton, *Judge of Probate for District of Rut-*
land.

Ebenczer Fisher, State's Attorney.

William M. Fields, Sheriff.

Ner P. Simonds, High Bailiff.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

BENSON.

Daniel Crofoot,
Franklin W. Walker,
Martin C. Rice,
James Higgins,
L. Howard Kellogg,
Reuben Sherwood,
Elizur Goodrich.

BRANDON.

Nathan Hack,
Anson A. Nicholson,
Harry S. McCollum,
John Capen,
Volney Ross,
Ezra June,
Stephen B. June,
George W. Parmenter,
Rodney V. Marsh,
Wm. A. Williams,
Pascal P. Gibbs,
George L. Fletcher.

CASTLETON.

Smith Sherman,
Chester Spencer,
Philip C. Pond,
John Howe,
Cyrenus M. Willard,
Chas. L. Northrup,
Lyman Johnson,
Ett W. Hyde,
Fayette Barney,
Thomas R. Hazard.

CHITTENDEN.

Reuben Harris,
Cyrus D. Hewett,
Alvin Randall,
Willard Osgood,
William O. Harrison.

CLARENDON.

Wm. D. Marsh,
Lewis M. Walker,
Lynus F. Colvin,
Linsey Round, Jr.,
William S. Weeks,
John S. Nelson,
Thomas Stewart.

DANBY.

Albert Bucklin,
John S. Parish,
Levi Barrett,
Joseph N. Phillips,
Charles H. Congdon,
Plynn Holton,
Austin Baker.

FAIRHAVEN.

Alanson Allen,
Zenas C. Ellis,
Corril Reed,
Andrew N. Adams,
James H. Wood,
Joseph Adams,
Simeon Allen.

HUBBARDTON.

Norman Jones,
A. Gibbs,
Chauncey S. Rumsey,
Charles Rouch,
Hiram G. Barber.

IRA.

Bradley Fish,
Jeremiah Thornton,
Smith Johnson,
Enos C. Smith,
Carlton Giddings.

MENDON.

Leverett Wilkins,
Frederick F. Cady,
Ezra Edson,
John E. Johnson,
William C. Walker.

MIDDLETOWN.

Lucius Copeland,
Elijah Ross,
Wm. N. Gray,
Jno. Emery Buxton,
Henry M. McClure.

MOUNT HOLLY.

Edwards Parmenter,
Hiram Dickerman,
Alfred Crowley,
Nelson A. Holton,
John Crowley,
Jesse Sawyer,
Franklin L. Frost.

MOUNT TABOR.

Luther P. Howe,
Amasa Thompson,
Benjamin B. Britton,
George Marsh,
John F. Thompson.

PAWLET.

Ossiam H. Simons,
Lucius M. Carpenter,
Hiram Wickham,
Abbott Robinson,
Leonard Johnson,
Jonathan Randall,
Smith Hitt.

PITTSFIELD.

Lyman Gibbs,
Henry O. Gibbs,
Rufus F. Wing,
Rufus Holt,
Joel Ranney.

PITTSFORD.

Charles T. Colburn,
Marcus C. Bogue,
Daniel P. Peabody,
Charles Hitchcock,
Rollin C. Smith,
Wm. E. Hall,
Capen Leonard.

POULTNEY.

Joseph Joslin,
Harlow Hosford,
Merritt Clark,
Barnes Frisbee,
John B. Braman,
James M. Dewey,
Ira M. Clark,
Chauncey Edgerton,
Mark Lewis,
Solomon E. Hooker.

RUTLAND.

J. J. R. Randall,
Warren H. Smith,
Porter Howe,
Robert B. Barney,
John E. Manly,
Wm. H. B. Owen,
Horace H. Dyer,
Chauncey K. Williams,
David B. Humphrey,
Joseph L. Patch,
Juo. B. Proctor,
Ner P. Simons,
Sylvester Jones,
Newman Weeks,
Henry H. Smith.

SHERBURNE.

Warner Bates,
John Johnson,
Isaac A. Morse,
Sylvester Newton,
Wallace Colton.

SHREWSBURY.

Wm. F. Morse,
Samuel F. Smith,
E. Warner Aldrich,
Nathaniel J. Aldrich,
John Webb,
Horace G. Hewett,
Jonathan B. Storey.

SUDBURY.

Wm. P. J. Hyde,
James K. Hyde,
C. Columbus Sellick,
Fayette Holmes,
Benona Griffin.

TINMOUTH.

Levi Rice,
George Capron,
Judah H. Rounds,
Cyrus Crampton,
Joshua P. Grover.

WALLINGFORD.

Harvey Button,
Wm. Kent,
Roswell Earle,
Joel Croft,
Harvey Shaw,
Hosea Eddy,
Myron A. Baldwin.

WEST HAVEN.

Nathaniel Fish,
Rodney C. Abell,
Hiram K. Hunt,
Augustus Austin,
Lemuel W. Jakeway.

WELLS.

Artemus Lewis,
Robert Parks,
Russell Lamb,
Marcus D. Grover,
Henry McFadden.

The committee further reported that the town of Ira is entitled to five justices of the peace, four only are elected, and that Pardon W. Wilkinson and Carlton Giddings have received the next highest and an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Mason, the representative from the town of Ira, Carlton Giddings was duly elected to that office.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Alpheus Bass, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*
 F. C. Putnam, }
 Timothy R. Merrill, *Judge of Probate.*
 Joseph P. Lamson, *State's Attorney.*
 Clark Wing, *Sheriff.*
 Noah Robinson, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

BARRE.

Clark Holden,
 Miles Morrison,
 Benjamin B. Cook,
 William E. Whitcomb,
 Augustus Clafin,
 Josiah Wood,
 Frank Stafford.

BERLIN.

Joseph W. Wheelock,
 Sylvanus F. Nye,
 Richard Bailey,
 Moses Strong,
 Joseph W. Thompson,
 William Dewey,
 Edmund E. Andrews.

CABOT.

Matthew P. Wallace,
 Theodore H. Lance,
 Charles C. Perry,
 Joseph Hoyt,
 Orson Kimball,
 Wallace W. Lyford,
 Jerome B. Hatch.

CALAIS.

Walter P. Slayton,
 John Morse,
 Edwin D. Haskell,
 Joseph W. Leonard,
 John V. R. Kent,
 Alonzo Pearce,
 Charles S. Bennett.

DUXBURY.

Isaiah Huntley,
 Janus Crossett,
 Luther Graves,
 George H. Crandall,
 Charles P. Stephens.

EAST MONTPELIER.

Samuel S. Kelton,
 Addison Peck,
 Jacob Rich,
 Squire Bailey,
 Sylvanus Morse,
 James A. Coburn,
 Austin D. Arms.

FAYSTON.

Willard B. Porter,
 Azro D. Bragg,
 George O. Boyce,
 Samuel J. Dana,
 Ziba W. Boyce.
(See Special Report.)

MARSHFIELD.

Eli S. Pitkin,
 Stephen Spenser,
 Daniel Hill,
 Daniel Smith,
 John D. Lance,
 George A. Gilmau,
 Richard Mears.

MIDDLESEX.

Marcus Gould,
 Wm. Chapin,
 Wm. H. Holden,
 Osgood Evans,
 Christopher C. Putnam,
 Don. P. Carpenter,
 O. L. Watson.

MONTPELIER.

Joseph A. Prentiss,
 Charles Reed,
 Carlos Bancroft,
 Wm. W. Cadwell,
 Luther Cross,
 Nelson Robinson.

Oramel H. Smith,
 James T. Thurston,
 Prentiss C. Wright,
 George S. Hubbard.

MORETOWN.

Gilman T. Eaton,
 Uriah Howe,
 Moses P. Heath,
 Azro L. Smalley,
 Patrick Conway,
 James Stewart,
 Hiram Hathaway.

NORTHFIELD.

Marvin Simons,
 James Caldwell,
 Thomas Slade,
 Wm. H. Loomis,
 Charles A. Edgerton,
 Alonzo Shaw,
 Asabel S. Braman,
 Carlos A. Tracy,
 Wm. J. Wright,
 Wm. Gold,
 Daniel P. King,
 Amos Plastringe.

PLAINFIELD.

Sullivan B. Gale,
 Dudley Perkins,
 Willis Lane,
 William B. Foss,
 Samuel Cree.

ROXBURY.

Samuel G. Stanton,
 Horace W. Nichols,
 Cyrus Howard,
 Buel Gold,
 Asabel Flint,
 Emery P. Cram,
 Ralph W. Rood.

WAITSFIELD.

Hiram Jones,
Calvin Fullerton,
Lawson P. Carroll,
Ezra O. Joslin,
Jonathan Harmon Hastings,
Cornelius E. Joslin,
Ira Richardson.

WARREN.

James Cardell,
Lewis Cardell,
Henry G. Vandusen,
Gideon Goodspeed,
Sylvester Upham,

Charles Pike,
Wm. H. Hall.

WATERBURY.

Elijah Marshall,
George W. Warren,
Wm. W. Henry,
Stephen J. Guptil,
Lyman Beebe,
Daniel Hopkins,
Joseph G. Smith,
Curtis Wells,
Ebenezer B. Huse,
L. H. Haines.

WOODBURY.

E. C. Fisk,
Thomas Harvey, Jr.,
Sidney O. Wells,
Dorman Bridgman,
Edmond E. Ball,
Isaac Wells,
Michael Jackson.
(See Special Report.)

WORCESTER.

Elijah B. Harris,
Horatio Templeton,
Nathaniel A. Kelley,
Wm. B. Hancock,
George L. Stone.

The committee further reported that the town of Fayston is entitled to five justices of the peace, four only are elected, and that Azro D. Bragg and G. H. Crossett have received the next highest and an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Dana, the representative from the town of Fayston, Azro D. Bragg was duly elected to that office.

The committee also reported that the town of Woodbury is entitled to seven justices of the peace, five only are elected, and that Michael Jackson, Isaac Wells, R. B. Bruce and Levi Lyford, have received the next highest and an equal number of votes; whereupon, on motion of Mr. Bruce, the representative of the town of Woodbury, Michael Jackson and Isaac Wells were duly elected to that office.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

Peter W. Deane, }
W. H. Jones, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*
Abishai Stoddard, *Judge of Probate for District of Westminster.*
Royal Tyler, *Judge of Probate for District of Marlboro.*
James M. Tyler, *State's Attorney.*
Walter Taylor, *Sheriff.*
John Hunt, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

ATHENS.

Andrew A. Wyman,
Mark Ball,
Amos T. Ball,
Elijah P. Shattuck,
George N. Ober.

BRATTLEBORO.

Asa Keyes,
Royal Tyler,
Lafayette Clark,
Willard Arms,
Daniel Kellogg.

Joseph Steen,
Wm. S. Newton,
Kittridge Haskins,
James M. Tyler,
Larkin G. Mead,
George Howe,
Timothy Vinton.

BROOKLINE.

Wm. Adams,
Erastus Whitney,
John B. Stebbens,
Oscar C. Merrifield,
Everett P. Wellman.

DOVER.

Wm. H. Jones.
Joel Lyman,
James Miner,
Gilbert H. Mann,
Edmond P. Howc.

DUMMERSTON.

Joseph Miller,
George W. Walker,
Jesse E. Warden,
Sanford W. Wilson,
John K. Leonard,
Benjamin Willard,
Orin L. Bennett.

GRAFTON.

Ambrose Burgess,
Chas. Barrett,
Isaac Glynn,
Gardner Upham,
Lewis S. Walker,
Gideon Palmer,
Wm. G. Wyman.

GUILFORD.

Samuel L. Hunt,
Rodney B. Field,
Nathan P. Chipman,
Gardner Briggs,
John Lynde,
Thaddeus S. Ashcroft,
A. W. Putnam.

HALIFAX.

Charles Fowler,
Jedediah Stark,
Martin Scott, 2d,
Nelson H. Bisby,
Frank Warden,
Perry Hall,
Jerome Thompson.

JAMAICA.

Luke Howard,
Henry H. Felton,
Abial P. Fuller,
David Eddy,
Lewis N. Sprague,
Squire Gleason,
Aaron M. Butler.

LONDONDERRY.

Dwight Tyler,
Elanson Whitman,
A. E. Fuller,
Daniel Davis,
Henry P. Dodge,
Barnet Wait,
Curtis Robinson.

MARLBORO.

Frederick W. Mather.
Williston Winchester,
Luke Y. Higley,
Elliot Halliday,
John Warden.

NEWFARE.

Marshall Newton,
Frederick O. Burditt,
Hollis T. Robinson,
Dennis A. Dickinson,
Eugene P. Wheeler,
Dana B. Morse,
John Roberts.

PUTNEY.

John Kimball,
Franklin Austin,
James Crawford,
Simon W. Houghton,
George Hooper,
Bela Gassett,
Samuel Knight.

ROCKINGHAM.

Alexander S. Campbell,
Russel Hyde,
L. C. Hubbard,
Wm. H. Johnson,
John Baker,
John A. Farnsworth,
Ithamar Bowles,
Josiah B. Divoll,
D. G. Nourse,
John Weston.

SOMERSET.

Sumner Curtis,
Hollis Town,
Albert Blanchard,
Asa Burnap,
Hollis Town, Jr.

STRATTON.

Melvin A. Knowlton,
Jacob B. Grout,
Chester O. Holden,
John N. Glazier,
Rufus Lyman.

TOWNSHEND.

Francis Kidder,
Esak Atwood,
John S. Fullerton,
Orlando S. Howard,
John H. Converse,
John L. Nichols,
Gilman Chamberlain.

VERNON.

Lorenzo Brown,
Joseph E. Franklin,
Roswell S. Wood,
John Hunt,
E. O. Lee.

WARDSBORO.

Holland Plimpton,
Darwin A. Hammond,
Avery J. Dexter,
Marshall O. Howe,
Nathaniel C. Johnson,
J. C. Estabrook,
Richard W. Smith.

WESTMINSTER.

Ira Goodhue,
Freeman Gorham,
Sylvester S. Stoddard,
Nathan Fisher,
Nathan G. Pierce,
Thomas W. Wiley,
John Minard.

WHITTINGHAM.

Reuben Winn,
Horatio N. Hicks,
Truman H. Streeter,
Leonard Brown,
George Porter,
James W. Hatch,
Calvin Baker.

WILMINGTON.

Stephen P. Flagg,
B. Luke Barnard,
Horace L. Tanner,
Eleazer L. Waterman,
Charles C. Haskell,
Calvin T. Alvord,
Stephen T. Davenport.

WINDHAM.

Wm. Harris,
David E. Robbins,
Zenas H. Upham,
Jason D. Jones,
Asa T. Gould.

WINDSOR COUNTY.

John S. Marcy, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*
Calvin French, }
Henry Closson, *Judge of Probate for District of Wind-*
sor.

John Porter, *Judge of Probate for District of Hartford.*

John F. Dean, *State's Attorney.*

Lorenzo Richmond, *Sheriff.*

Samuel Alford, Jr., *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

ANDOVER.

George W. Stickney,
Albert E. Stannard,
William Pierce,
Parkman Davis,
Isaiah Lovejoy.

BALTIMORE.

Rodney L. Piper,
Charles A. Leland,
Thomas Preston,
Rollin C. Sherwin.

BARNARD.

William C. Danforth,
Lucian Blackmer,
Levi D. Levitt,
Augustus W. Bigelow,
Humphrey Wheelock,
Alvin Wood,
Charles W. Black.

BETHEL.

Joel B. Putnam,
Josiah D. Cushing,
George S. Hatch,
Leland D. Horton,
Benjamin G. Bundy,
Benjamin G. Fisk,
Samuel H. Hebard.

BRIDGEWATER.

Justin S. Montague,
Winfield S. Southgate,
Solomon Warren,
George W. Topliff,
Joseph E. Willis,
Ira Taft,
Charles C. Bugbee.

CAVENDISH.

Samuel Adams,
Saxon A. Craig,
John F. Dean,
Eseck W. Adams,
Josiah Gilson,
Asahel Ross,
Henry A. Fletcher.

CHESTER.

Amos E. Heald,
Addison S. Adams,
William Rounds,
Lewis Hill,
Henry Chapin,
Albert F. Baldwin,
Darius D. Williams,
John L. Johnson,
Henry Morris,
Pierpoint F. Bowker.

HARTFORD.

John Porter,
Luther Pease,
Edward P. Sprague,
William L. Bragg,
Darius Russ,
Benjamin Dutton,
Volney Thurston,
Henry Wolcott,
Albert E. Williamson,
Albert P. Howe.

HARTLAND.

Samuel Taylor,
Benjamin Labaree,
Albert B. Burke,
E. Marsh Goodwin,
William S. Crooker,
Nathaniel H. Jennie,
Phineas K. Bates.

LUDLOW.

William P. Spafford,
Hiram W. Albee,
Moses Burbank,
Joel Warner,
Ora J. Taylor,
Leonard Wilcox,
Ryland C. Haven.

NORWICH.

Cyrus Tracy,
Jonathan S. Lord,
Samuel A. Armstrong,
Stephen C. Boardman,
Henry Hutchinson,
James Burnham,
Samuel Goddard.

PLYMOUTH.

Alpheus N. Earl,
Calvin G. Coolidge,
Lyman N. Pinney,
Rufus A. Earle,
Warren R. Taylor,
Josiah Josselyn,
George W. Day.

POMFRET.

Hosea Doton,
Norman Paul,
Crosby Miller,
Harvey N. Bruce,
Edwin Allen,
Joseph H. Pratt.

READING.

Nelson Whittemore,
Charles Bunk,
Leonard Rockwood,
Silas W. Pike,
Hiram Goddard,
Clark Wardner,
Andrew R. Adams.

ROCHESTER.

Ezra McCollum,
Stillman B. Jones,
Joseph L. Morse,
Christopher A. Webber,
Horace L. Richmond,
James Eaton,
James Clough.

ROYALTON.

Daniel W. Wells,
John W. Metcalf,
Edward Foster,
John B. Durkee,
Alonzo Fowler,
William Goff,
Silas R. Williams.

SHARON.

Pelatah Metcalf,
David Fales,
Guy S. Nott,
Norman F. Bush,
John P. Smith,
Calvin K. Fay,
Hubbard Baker.

SPRINGFIELD.

Samuel W. Porter,
Henry Closson,
David M. Smith,
Samuel Rollins,
William H. Albee,
James R. Walker,
Benjamin W. Weedon,
Henry Safford,
Joseph Whiting,
Udney Burke.

STOCKBRIDGE.

Nelson Gay,
Albert Whitcomb,
David Everett,
Harvey D. Morgan,
Benjamin Cozen,
Nathan Davis,
Milton E. Smith.

WEATHERSFIELD.

Jabez Hammond,
Walter Newell,
John Spafford,
Baxter Burroughs,
Napoleon B. Roundy,
Edson Chamberlin,
Reuben L. Taylor.

WESTON.

Simon Wilkinson,
Simeon D. Spalding,
Quincey A. Craig,
George W. Wiley,
John T. Briant.

WEST WINDSOR.
Gilman H. Shedd,
Daniel F. Hemmenway,
Marquis F. Morrison,
Samuel Parker,
Orange Leavens.

James A. Edmenster,
Daniel Davis,
Loren W. Lawrence,
Ephraim Cleveland,
Thales B. Winn.

Thomas Russell,
Samuel Wood,
Henry W. English,
Nathan T. Churchill,
Edwin C. Emmons,
Nathan Cushing,
Lorenzo Kent,
Ovid Thompson,
Reuben M. Slayton.

WINDSOR.
Jason Steele,
Jonathan B. Farnsworth,

WOODSTOCK.
Daniel Taft,
George G. Raymond,
Henry W. Walker,

All of which is respectfully submitted,

BURNAHM MARTIN,

Chairman of General Canvassing Committee.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,
Clerk.

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,

October 31, 1866, 11 o'clock, A. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution, which is as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Wednesday, the 31st day of October instant, at eleven o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing a Chief Judge of the Supreme Court to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Luke P. Poland; and also to elect five Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court, to fill vacancies in said offices until the first day of December next;

His Honor, ABRAHAM B. GARDNER, President of the Senate, in the chair;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Joint Assembly then proceeded to the election of the officers named in the foregoing resolution, and the following elections were made by a *viva voce* vote:

JOHN PIERPOINT, of Vergennes,
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

JAMES BARRETT, of Woodstock,
First Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court.

LOYAL C. KELLOGG, of Rutland,
Second Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court.

ASAHIEL PECK, of Montpelier,
Third Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court.

WILLIAM C. WILSON, of Bakersfield,
Fourth Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court.

BENJAMIN H. STEELE, of Derby,
Fifth Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,
Clerk.

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,

November 7, A. D. 1866, 2:30 o'clock P. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution, which is as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Wednesday next, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, to elect a Brigadier General for the First Brigade, Vermont Militia ;

His Honor, ABRAHAM B. GARDNER, President of the Senate, in the chair ;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to the election of the officer named in the foregoing resolution, and the following election was made by a *viva voce* vote :

WILLIAM D. MUNSON, of Burlington,
Brigadier General, First Brigade Vermont Militia.
The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,
Clerk.

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,
November 19, 1866, 4 o'clock P. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution of the two Houses, which is as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Monday, the 19th inst., at four o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing three trustees of the Vermont Reform School ;

His Honor, ABRAHAM B. GARDNER, President of the Senate, in the chair ;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Joint Assembly then proceeded to the election of First Trustee, named in the foregoing resolution, when the ballots having been taken and examined by the tellers, it appeared that

CHARLES REED, of Montpelier,
had been duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

The Joint Assembly then proceeded to the election of Second Trustee, named in the foregoing resolution, and the ballots having been taken and examined by the tellers, it appeared that

LEWIS PRATT, of Woodstock,
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

The Joint Assembly then proceeded to the election of Third Trustee, named in the foregoing resolution, when, upon nomination, by a *viva voce* vote :

LEWIS A. DUNN, of Fairfax,
was declared duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,
Clerk.

APPENDIX.

APPENDIX.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

STATE OF VERMONT, IN ACCOUNT WITH J. B. PAGE, TREASURER.

CREDIT.

By cash received as follows :

Balance in Treasury, September 5th, 1865.....	\$12,497 01
Agricultural College fund.....	4,072 00
Balances from county clerks.....	18,523 20
Fees from judges of probate.....	12,062 09
Bank Commissioner's salary, sundry banks.....	517 90
Railroad Commissioner's salary, 1864-5, sundry railroads..	570 46
Surplus fund notes, paid.....	400 00
Tax on foreign bank stock.....	2,129 87
Collected on tax of 1863.....	78 34
Collected on tax of 1864.....	9,414 59
Collected on tax of 1865.....	589,879 13
Balances due for allotments to officers and soldiers.....	21,276 91
Repaid by P. P. Pitkin, Q. M. General, by Auditor's order..	6,309 12
Temporary loan of 1864.....	204,000 00
Temporary loan of 1865.....	80,000 00
Organized militia, fines for non-attendance at June drill...	880 89
From sundry persons, on account of liquor prosecutions....	219 27
From sundry soldiers in re-payment of overdraft of State pay	285 25
P. P. Pitkin, Q. M. General, for sale of hospital, ordnance and subsistence stores.....	15,020 19
D. Stewart, Auditor, for sale of lands in Lamoille and Or- leans counties.....	324 75
D. Stewart, Auditor, for sale of real estate received from H. M. Bates.....	1,000 00
United States, repaid on account of St. Albans raid.....	9,268 26
Geo. F. Bailey & Co., for license to exhibit circus.....	3,000 00
In settlement of sundry accounts from	
John Howe, Jr.....	\$35 64
Samuel Williams.....	770 50
George F. Davis, Quartermaster General.....	793 93
George W. Bailey, Jr.....	180 00
J. H. Brainerd.....	51 66
Pond & Morse.....	3 74
A. G. Pease.....	133 24
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	1,968 71

Interest on taxes and loans.....	\$751 61
Discount on bonds, 1861, redeemed.....	315 25
Sundry checks, outstanding and unpaid.....	1,793 69
	<hr/> \$996,558 49

DEBIT.

To cash paid as follows :

Debentures of General Assembly, October, 1865 :	
Senate.....	\$3,355 40
House of Representatives.....	20,383 90
	<hr/> \$23,739 30

Salaries of sundry officers :

Judges of Supreme Court.....	\$5,104 50
J. G. Smith, Governor, two years.....	2,000 00
G. W. Bailey, Jr., late Secretary of State.....	289 31
Geo. Nichols, Secretary of State.....	110 69
C. M. Gay, Secretary of Civil & Military Affairs	137 50
W. G. Veazey, Reporter Supreme Court.....	112 50
A. R. Camp, Bank Commissioner, and expenses..	533 75
G. H. Rice, Railroad Commissioner.....	500 00
J. H. Flagg, Clerk House of Representatives...	700 00
Charles Reed, Librarian.....	62 50
Z. C. Camp, Sergeant-at-Arms.....	150 00
	<hr/> 9,700 75

Salaries of Judges of Probate :

C. G. Tilden, District of Addison.....	\$275 00
A. L. French, District of Caledonia.....	375 00
T. E. Wales, District of Chittenden.....	450 00
J. W. Hartshorn, District of Essex.....	100 00
A. J. Samson, District of Franklin.....	450 00
John Porter, District of Hartford.....	350 00
C. C. Chadwick, District of Lamoille.....	200 00
R. Tyler, District of Marlboro.....	1,625 00
M. R. Tyler, District of Orleans.....	300 00
J. R. Cleaveland, District of Randolph.....	275 00
C. M. Willard, District of Rutland.....	250 00
T. R. Merrill, District of Washington.....	900 00
	<hr/> 5,550 00

Salaries of State's Attorneys :

H. S. Foot, Addison county.....	\$225 00
A. L. Miner, Bennington county.....	150 00
R. S. Taft, Chittenden county.....	250 00
D. S. Storrs, Essex county.....	100 00
J. H. Dewey, Franklin county.....	500 00
H. Hill, Grand Isle county.....	50 00
P. K. Gleed, Lamoille county.....	100 00
J. B. Bromley, Rutland county.....	275 00
H. Carpenter, Washington county.....	225 00
C. H. Heath, Washington county.....	450 00
C. B. Eddy, Windham county.....	225 00
C. P. Marsh, Windsor county.....	500 00
	<hr/> 3,050 00
Warrants drawn by Gov. Smith.....	\$9,296 76
Warrants drawn by Gov. Dillingham.....	7,668 01
Warrants approved by Governor in aid of sol- diers' families.....	861 83
	<hr/> 17,822 60

Extra pay of seven dollars per month.....	\$76,394 82
Commutation of extra pay.....	1,000 00
Balance brought forward for allotments to officers and soldiers	38,049 04
Organized militia, pay rolls for drill.....	\$30,765 00
Organized militia, costs paid..	64 83
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	30,829 83
Court orders.....	45,119 41
Auditor's orders.....	174,182 17
State bonds of 1871, redeemed and canceled.....	24,500 00
Safety fund, paid receiver Danby Bank.....	5,625 00
Sinking fund, for the payment of bonds due in 1871.....	75,500 00
Board of Education.....	1,580 94
Bear certificates.....	195 00
Loan of 1859, paid.....	25,000 00
Temporary loan of 1864, paid.....	204,000 00
Temporary loan of 1865, paid.....	80,000 00
Special appropriations:	
J. Gregory Smith, Commissioner of deaf, dumb and blind.....	\$1,865 71
William Haskins.....	50 00
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	1,915 71
Interest :	
On State bonds... ..	\$99,300 00
On State bonds of 1871, redeemed.....	322 50
On loan of 1859.....	750 00
On taxes and three per cent. discounts.....	13,671 80
On allotments.....	1,277 82
On surplus fund paid towns.....	664 61
On safety fund, paid receiver Danby Bank.....	645 00
On temporary loans, 1864, 1865.....	7,595 52
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	124,227 25
Balance in treasury, Sept. 10, 1866.....	28,576 67
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	\$996,558 49
Treasurer's Office, Rutland, Sept. 10, 1866.	

STATE FINANCES.

To the Auditor of Accounts :

SIR :—I submit herewith a statement of the transactions of the Treasury during the past fiscal year. Part of the details of payments from the Treasury during the year, appear upon the foregoing balance sheet, and for further details, reference must be made to the list of Auditor's orders. This is owing to the change in the form of vouchers, under the law of last session, "Defining the duties of certain State officers, and for the protection and benefit of the Treasury : " which, while it simplifies

the Treasurer's accounts, transfers the report of details of expenditures from this department to the Auditor's office, where it more properly belongs.

The receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year may be classified as follows :

RECEIPTS.

Taxes.....	\$599,372 06
Agricultural College fund.....	8,072 00
Sale of real estate by Auditor.....	1,324 75
License for circus.....	3,000 00
Safety fund note, collected in part.....	400 00
Loans of 1864 and 1865.....	284,000 00
Soldiers' allotments.....	1,328 30
Balance, September, 1865.....	12,497 01
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	\$909,994 12

DISBURSEMENTS.

Ordinary and war expenses, balance.....	\$291,083 19
Pay rolls, militia, less fines.....	29,948 94
Soldiers' allotments.....	18,100 43
Agricultural College fund, invested in bonds.....	4,000 00
Safety fund repaid.....	5,625 00
Loan of 1859, balance paid.....	25,000 00
Loans of 1864 and 1865, paid.....	284,000 00
Balance of interest account.....	123,659 89
Credit sinking fund.....	75,500 00
Bonds of 1871, paid.....	24,500 00
Balance, September, 1866.....	28,576 67
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	\$909,994 12

TAXES.

The amounts assessed and collected on State taxes, are as follows :

Tax of 1863 of 100 per cent. on \$975, 230 66.....	\$975,230 66
Deduct abatements and collection fees.....	43,378 50
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	\$931,852 16
Accounted for in 1864.....	\$926,410 30
Accounted for in 1865.....	5,363 52
Accounted for in 1866.....	78 34
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	\$931,852 16
Tax of 1864, of 125 per cent. on \$1,012,692 66.....	\$1,265,865 83
Deduct abatements and collection fees.....	56,331 06
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	\$1,209,534 77
Add 125 per cent. on list of unorganized towns and gores	1,819 56
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	\$1,211,354 33
Accounted for in 1865.....	\$1,201,939 74
Accounted for in 1866.....	9,414 59
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	1,211,354 33

APPENDIX.

Tax 1865, of 60 per cent. on \$1,037,660 05.....	\$622,596 06
Deduct abatements and collection fees	27,705 49
	<u>\$594,890 57</u>
Add 60 per cent. on list of unorganized towns and gores	866 12
	<u>\$595,756 69</u>
Accounted for in 1866.....	589,879 13
	<u>\$5,877 56</u>
Balance to be accounted for.....	
Due from Berkshire.....	\$60 00
Due from Buel's Gore.....	83 87
Due from Colchester	1,559 98*
Due from Danby.....	448 21
Due from Goshen Gore.....	346 27
Due from Goshen and Harris Gore.....	51 28
Due from Hinesburgh.....	1,453 20*
Due from Moretown.....	35 49*
Due from Royalton.....	1,030 33
Due from Rutland.....	306 09
Due from Stratton.....	442 84
Due from Whiting.....	60 00
	<u>\$5,877 56</u>

ALLOTMENTS.

Balance due soldiers, Sept. 1865.....	\$38,049 04
Received since Sept. 1865.....	1,328 30
	<u>\$39,377 34</u>
Paid on orders and receipts.....	18,100 43
	<u>\$21,276 91</u>
Due soldiers on demand.....	

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE FUND.

Balance on hand September, 1865.....	\$131,565 10
Interest collected.....	8,036 00
Discount on bonds bought.....	36 00
	<u>\$139,637 10</u>
Invested in State bonds.....	\$133,500 00
Invested in U. S. 7 3-10 bonds.....	2,000 00
Balance cash on hand.....	\$4,072 00
Balance cash on hand, Sept. 1865.....	65 10
	<u>4,137 10</u>
	<u>\$139,637 10</u>

The liabilities and resources at the date of this report, are as follows :

FUNDED LIABILITIES.

State bonds outstanding, viz :

Due June 1st, 1871.....	\$875,500 00
Due December 1st, 1874.....	250,000 00
Due December 1st, 1876.....	250,000 00
Due December 1st, 1878.....	250,000 00
	<u>\$1,625,500 00</u>

*Paid since the books were closed. Several unpaid, are on account of errors claimed in grand list.

It is expected that before the session of the Legislature, the amount to the credit of sinking fund (\$75,500 00) will be applied in payment of bonds. It is also anticipated that at least \$50,000 00 will soon be received from the United States on account of balances due the State, which will allow a farther sum of bonds to be retired.

CURRENT LIABILITIES.

Due allotment.....	\$21,276 91
Due receiver Danby Bank, safety fund.....	6,750 00
Due towns, U. S. surplus fund.....	11,176 18
Due Agricultural College fund.....	4,137 10
Due extra State pay, estimated.....	20,000 00
	<u>\$63,340 19</u>

CURRENT RESOURCES.

Balance in treasury.....	\$28,576 67
Due on tax of 1865.....	5,877 56
Surplus fund notes, unpaid.....	1,100 00
	<u>\$35,554 23</u>
Excess of current liabilities.....	\$27,785 96
Estimated current expenses, viz :	
Interest on bonds and loans.....	\$96,000 00
Other State expenses.....	170,000 00
For sinking fund, installment on bonds.....	150,000 00
	<u>\$416,000 00</u>

To pay which will require a tax of forty-five cents on the dollar on the grand list.

J. B. PAGE, *Treasurer.*

Treasurer's Office, Rutland, Sept. 10, 1866.

REPORT OF JOHN HOWE, JR., RELATIVE TO STATE AID FOR
SOLDIERS' FAMILIES IN VERMONT.

To his Excellency, Paul Dillingham:

Enclosed is respectfully submitted a report of the expenditure for State aid to soldiers' families, from September 1, 1865, to April 15, 1866, when the accounts were closed, under the acts of April 26, 1861, and November 14, 1862.

Expenditures from September 1, 1865, to April 15, 1866...	\$335 66
Paid claim of agent of Corinth for 1865, and settled by arbitration.....	234 52
Paid for keeping books, accounts, postage stamps, &c.....	25 00

Total expenditure.....	\$595 18
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Less received from agent of Pomfret, and paid to State Treasurer.....	13 00
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Amount actually expended.....	\$582 18
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There are no unsettled claims.

Very respectfully yours,

JOHN HOWE, JR.

Brandon, Sept. 12, 1866.

REPORT OF THE QUARTER-MASTER GENERAL.

STATE OF VERMONT.

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
 Montpelier, Oct. 1, 1866. }

To his Excellency, Paul Dillingham,

Governor of the State of Vermont:

SIR:—In compliance with the laws of this State, I have the honor to submit my report of the operations of this department, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1866.

On the 3d day of October I received from his Excellency, J. G. Smith, then Governor of Vermont, instructions to sell the barracks, previously constructed at St. Albans, for the use of a detachment of the Veteran Reserve Corps, on duty at that place, in the defense of the frontier; also the fixtures connected therewith. I immediately advertised them for sale, and sold them at auction on the 9th day of the same month. The sum received therefor was \$1,127 26. I also caused to be sold the small guard-houses that were built at Highgate, East Highgate, Swanton, East Berkshire, Berkshire, North Enosburgh, and Enosburgh Falls, for the accommodation of men on guard duty at those places after the "St. Albans Raid." Schedule "A," accompanying this Report, exhibits a correct account of those sales.

I submitted to your Excellency on the 31st day of October, a request that a Board of Survey be appointed to examine and report upon the condition of a quantity of public property in my possession, which, in my opinion, should be disposed of for the benefit of the State. In compliance therewith, Maj. Ora Paul, Eighth Regiment, Capt. Charles N. Wood, Company F, Eighth Regiment, and Capt. W. M. Currier, Company K, fifth Regiment, Vermont Militia, were detailed for that duty, and, after examination of the same, recommended the sale of the property submitted for their inspection. The report of the Board having been approved by the Commander-in-Chief, I sold the property at auction, at Montpelier. On the 5th day of December I furnished your Excellency with a list of articles belonging to the State and remaining in my possession, which, for reasons stated in the communication, should, in my opinion, be sold. Col. C. B. Wilson, Capt. W. H. Ballou, and Capt. C. C. Putnam, Fourth Regiment, Vermont Militia, were detailed as a Board of Survey by Special Order No. 13, issued by the Adjutant and Inspector General, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to examine such property as should be submitted by the Quartermaster General for their inspection.

The recommendation of the Board having been approved, I was authorized and directed by the Commander-in-Chief, to dispose of the property specified in the report in such manner, and at such time and place, as I deemed to be for the best interest of the State,—suspending,

at any time, the sale of any or all classes of the same, when, in my judgment, the amounts realized thereby were not equivalent to the value of such property. I accordingly advertised the stores for sale at auction, by causing a notice of the same to be inserted in several papers printed in this State, and in the Boston Journal. The sale was suspended after the first day, in consequence of the prices received being unsatisfactory. The United States Government had, a short time previously, thrown upon the market large quantities of military property, which affected somewhat the sale. I subsequently sold, at private sale, such articles as I could at fair prices. The accompanying schedule, marked "B," exhibits a correct account of all articles disposed of in accordance with the orders above referred to. The balance of the stores are still in the State Arsenal, and are included in the accompanying report of military property belonging to the State.

In conformity with section three of an entitled, "An act defining the duties of certain State officers, and for the protection and benefit of the Treasury," approved November 9, 1865, I have sold the buildings and most of the land lately occupied for hospital purposes in the town of Montpelier, reserving for the State that upon which the Arsenal buildings are erected, and which is enclosed with them; and also reserving a constantly running stream of water for use at the Arsenal. I received therefor the sum of fifteen thousand five hundred dollars, which I have paid to the State Treasurer. I have filed with the Auditor of Accounts a statement of the sale, and a duplicate receipt from the Treasurer for the money received. I first submitted to your Excellency a plan for laying out the land in small lots and selling them and the buildings separately, which was approved; but I subsequently ascertained that the property could be sold at as good advantage, to the Trustees of the Vermont Conference Seminary and Female College. I then changed the plan, which was also approved, and sold the land and buildings together. I secured a right of way to and from the Arsenal, by procuring a highway to be laid through the land, and passing along the side of that reserved.

In the property return submitted with my annual report, October 1st, 1865, I accounted for arms and accoutrements which had just been received in boxes, from parties who had them in charge for frontier defense, as being complete sets, as was inferred from letters accompanying them. Upon examination, however, I ascertained that more articles were missing than were so borne upon the return. I also learned that some stores were issued immediately after the St. Albans raid in October, 1864, of which I had no record. I have since recovered most of them, and have received 11,752 rounds of ammunition (found in returned cartridge boxes) which had been reported as expended by the provisional forces. All of the arms, accoutrements and other property that were issued for the frontier defense and have been returned, have been cleaned and oiled, or otherwise put in good condition, and re-packed in boxes. Schedule "C," herewith transmitted, exhibits a list of property not yet returned, most of which I think I shall yet recover.

In my Report one year ago, I stated that a portion of the camp equipment borne on the return as remaining on hand, was temporarily in the possession of regimental quartermasters for the use of the militia, ordered into camp for drill; but was to be immediately returned to the State Arsenal. To guard against the loss of property thus used, I directed regimental quartermasters to issue to company commanders the articles for use at musters, taking their receipts therefor, and holding them responsible for the safe keeping of the same while in their possession, and

to receive all of the stores immediately after the close of the drill, and return them at once to the State Arsenal, or ship them for use at other musters, as the case might be. I could not learn that officers who had it in charge were delinquent in the performance of their duties, but considerable property was lost. Officers from each regiment accounted for some articles as having been stolen from camp, and some were lost in transportation. Fifty-four wool blankets were lost in transportation from White River Village to St. Johnsbury, or were stolen from the packages at the depot. I obtained certificates from the officers, who shipped and received the stores. I found the recovery of such property very difficult, so much having been dispersed through the country, from Government sales and by returned soldiers. Schedule "D," exhibits a correct list of camp equipage lost or destroyed by the militia at regimental and battalion musters, or in transportation from and to the Arsenal in 1865.

General Order No. 8, issued by the Adjutant and Inspector General, by order of the Governor, provides that the commander of each brigade of militia may, through the commanders of regiments, direct or authorize company commanders to issue the arms, accoutrements and uniforms to the men of their respective companies, taking each man's receipt therefor; but when not so issued, the commanding officer of each company is directed to procure a suitable place, approved by the quartermaster of the regiment, for keeping such property, and he is allowed for the expense thereof, such sum as shall be certified by the quartermaster of the regiment to be reasonable and just, and approved by the Quartermaster General. In adjusting those accounts I have found it impossible to satisfy all parties. Rents being much higher in some towns than in others, it is impracticable to establish any sum to be paid for each and every company, and I have allowed in each case such sum as I considered just, taking into account the rents that buildings or rooms command at the respective places. In some towns, suitable rooms for armories, could not be hired at reasonable prices, and places were fitted at small expense for that purpose. The number of armories, furnished, in compliance with General Order No. 8, and paid for as above, is forty-four, and the total disbursements for that purpose is \$1,150 61.

I furnished the commanders of militia companies with the necessary blanks for making the annual report of public property in their possession or under their charge, and enclosed stamps for the return postage. Most of the officers were prompt in forwarding the required report, but some were dilatory. All but seven were finally received in due form and placed on file in my office. Four carbines and revolvers with accoutrements, three sets of horse equipments complete, and three Springfield rifles and sets of accoutrements, were destroyed by the burning of the buildings in which they were stored, and some small articles have been lost by the militia, a list of which is contained in schedule "E," with this report. During six months of the past year I employed two men in cleaning and placing in proper condition the arms and equipments that were issued to the provisional forces for the frontier defense, after the "St. Albans Raid." I furnished the Auditor of Accounts with an account of that expense, with vouchers, together with all others accruing in this department, for the defense of the frontier, for the purpose of obtaining re-imbursement from the United States Government.

I find it necessary to employ at least one man in cleaning, oiling and re-packing the arms and equipments stored in the Arsenal. Upon examination I ascertained that the Remington carbines, received from the United States, and which had not been removed from the boxes in which

they were originally packed, had commenced to rust, in consequence of the packing-boxes having been made of lumber not thoroughly seasoned. I immediately caused them to be put in good condition, and directed all carbines which had been transferred to officers for the use of the cavalry militia, but which had not been issued to the men, to be returned for inspection and care. They are now mostly stored in the Arsenal, as but few companies or officers of cavalry militia wish to be troubled with the care of carbines. They do not require them for drill, being armed with sabres.

I have completed the State Arsenal buildings, and have enclosed the grounds with a substantial fence, in accordance with the plan submitted and approved.

In conformity with a joint resolution, adopted by the General Assembly at its October session, A. D. 1865, directing the Quartermaster General to place under the colors of each regiment and battery, displayed in the Capitol, a tablet in proper form, containing the names of the engagements in which such organizations have participated, I communicated with officers of each of the several organizations, and after much labor and care, obtained a correct list of the engagements, and proceeded to Boston to procure the tablets. I examined several kinds of metal, composition, &c., and compared prices, but decided to have them made of pure silver, in the form of shields. The tablets, twenty-one in number, contain one hundred and twelve ounces of coin, and cost, including engraving, \$525 79. They are beautiful tributes to the patriotism, fidelity and heroic bravery of the gallant sons of Vermont, who vindicated the honor of the State upon so many historic and bloody fields.

I have, in compliance with the law of the State, delivered to the Auditor of Accounts a correct account of all expenditures in my department, with proper vouchers, which has been examined and audited by him each six months. I have also submitted to him an account in detail, accompanied by vouchers, of all military property belonging to the State, and showing where, and in whose possession or care, each article is.

I transmit herewith an account current, showing the sums of money received and disbursed in the transaction of official business during the year; also abstracts "A" and "B," showing for what purposes disbursements have been made.

The total amount of outstanding claims against the State, appertaining to the Quartermaster General's department, is less than \$400.

I also enclose herewith a report of all public property received, issued, expended or sold, and all remaining on hand, with abstracts and schedules, containing information relating to the department of which I have charge.

In my report last year I gave the number of Springfield rifled muskets remaining on hand as 11,468. Upon examination of those that were stored at Vergennes, sixty were found to be Austrian rifles, and two hundred ninety-three were smooth-bore Springfield muskets. There were also ninety-four smooth-bore muskets not previously reported. The correction is made in the accompanying report. Two twelve-pounder bronze guns, in the possession of the Mayor of Burlington, one six-pounder brass gun at Newport, and one at Castleton, in the possession of the selectmen, and two at the Norwich University, are borne upon the report as not issued, as they are temporarily loaned by order of the Commander-in-Chief.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,
P. P. PITKIN,
Quartermaster General.

REPORT OF THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

To his Excellency, Paul Dillingham, Governor of Vermont :

SIR :—In accordance with an act of the Legislature, approved November 19th, 1856, relating to the duties of the Sergeant-at-Arms, I respectfully submit my annual report, embracing the usual inventory of State property in and about the State House, as required by law, together with an account of expenditures in my department for the year. A large portion of the expenses of the last session accruing within my department, are of necessity embodied in this report, together with a few small bills not presented in season for my last report. The expenditure embraces the cost of taking care of the house and grounds during the entire year, the purchase of fuel and stationery, together with the repairs of the building which I deemed necessary for its proper preservation. Finding that the roofing of the State House was beginning to corrode, and was leaking in spots, I had the entire roof thoroughly covered with patent iron varnish at a cost of seventy-five dollars, an outlay which I considered absolutely necessary for the proper care and protection of the building. At the request of our State Geologist to improve the appearance and condition of the room, and to provide more space in the Cabinet, I have recarpeted the floor and furnished two new cases. I have also, at the solicitation of the Librarian, added new shelves to the Library. The cost of these repairs is all included in my account, and has considerably increased the expenses of my department.

I desire also to call your attention once more to the necessity of furnishing the State House with a suitable supply of water. A due regard for the interests of the State, and proper care of its property seems to demand some action by the Legislature on this matter. In my report of last year, I alluded to the quantity of water required for heating purposes, as being some five hundred hogsheads, which, with the entire supply for drinking and other purposes, now has to be drawn from the river at considerable expense and very great inconvenience. There is now no means for extinguishing fires in case of such an emergency, and in case the building should take fire, it must, like the old house, be destroyed without remedy. The loss of the old State House might have been prevented by a comparatively small outlay in a reservoir in the rear of that building. That loss, together with the mere possibility of the recurrence of such an accident with much greater loss to the State, seems to be a sufficient argument for prompt and efficient action by the Legislature. Since the adjournment of the last session of the Legislature, the State has sold the water running to the hospital grounds, to the Vermont Methodist Conference, for the use of their College located there,

but one of the springs formerly used by the State, and the one to which I referred in my report to the committee appointed by the last Legislature, can now be had at its original cost. It is the same spring which I estimated could furnish an abundant supply of water at the State House for the sum of \$2555, including the entire expense of tank, hydrant, hose and all the necessary fixtures for carrying the water into the house and engine room. This estimate would now only be increased by \$100, the cost of the spring. The spring is unfailing, contains an ample supply of water, and situated as it is, at an altitude of one hundred and seventy feet above the summit of the dome, a full stream can easily be thrown to any portion of the building. The almost perfect safety thereby secured, the constant risk and exposure at present of over a quarter of a million of dollars of State property, and the comparatively small outlay required, can but commend the subject to the careful consideration of all.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Z. C. CAMP, Sergeant-at-Arms.

INVOICE OF PROPERTY.

The following is a true copy of invoice of property in and about the State House, as taken on the 10th day of November, A. D. 1865, and by me duly deposited, according to law, in the office of the Secretary of State.

IN SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OFFICE.

Thirty-five sheets colored blotting paper, 57 sheets white blotting paper, quantity blotting paper (cut,) 5 sheets pasteboard, 1 roll rubber, 10 letter holders, 1 portfolio, 5 quarts of sand, 7½ dozen pin rolls, ¼ ream buff wrapping paper, 1 ream pink wrapping paper, 1½ ream flat cap paper, 3 bottles blue ink, 2½ dozen red ink, 1½ gross bank pens, 11 dozen boxes pencil leads, 1 dozen colored pencils, 8 rubber headed pencils, 15 ivory pencils, 2 rubber pencils, 9 extension pencils, 15 paper folders, (boxwood) 15 ebony paper folders, 1 ivory folder, 8 boxes French paper, 2 mallets, 12 bunches tape, 4 balls twine, ½ dozen pen wipers, 1 box fancy soap, 2 letter clips, ½ dozen pen holders, 1 clothes brush, 8 hair brushes, 5 combs, 6 thermometers, 2 Bibles, 1 eyelet punch, 7 reams letter paper, quantity bill and report paper, 2½ reams letter paper, (headed) 8½ reams cap paper, ¼ reams legal cap, 10 reams note, 13 bottles M. & N. ink, 14 bottles Arnold's writing fluid, 2 bottles French copying ink, 140 wooden inkstands, 90 glass inkstands, 2 fancy inkstands, 60 shot glasses, 55 sand boxes, 45 wafer cups, 70 bottles mucilage, 18 letter envelopes, 17 document envelopes, 200 penholders, 3 calendars, 23 dozen lead pencils, 6 boxes eyelets, lot of wafers, 21 ready reference files, 3 dozen elastic bands, 2 match safes, 26 tin paper folders, 4 pounds rubber, 38 pen racks, 1 twine holder, 10 small brooms, 4 paper weights, 2 rules, 2 gas burners, 3 flags, 6 ballot boxes, 1 punch, 2 cans, 2 post office baskets, 1½ gross wafer boxes, 3 boxes blacking, 5 tin trays, 3 blacking brushes, 1 table spread, 1 box shot, 1 sofa, 1 stool, 1 mirror, 1 desk, 2 tables, 5 chairs, 17½ dozen letter stamps, 25 waste paper baskets, 2 fancy baskets, 4 stationery baskets.

IN TREASURER'S OFFICE.

One office table, 1 sofa, 1 mirror, 6 office chairs, 1 stool, 1 washstand, 1 washbowl and pitcher, 1 pail, 3 spittoons.

IN SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE.

One bookcase, 2 office tables, 1 sofa, 1 hat-rack, 1 washsink, 5 stuffed chairs, 1 map Vermont, 1 mirror, 1 washbowl, 2 pitchers, 1 pail, 2 spittoons, 1 picture.

IN AUDITOR'S OFFICE.

One bookcase, 1 washsink, 1 mirror, 1 table, 1 sofa, 1 hat-rack, 7 office chairs, 1 wash-bowl, 2 pitchers, 1 pail, 1 trunk.

IN ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE.

Two bookcases, 1 secretary, 1 desk, 4 covered tables, 1 committee table, 2 mirrors, 1 stand, 1 coat-rack, 1 hat-rack, 1 map of Vermont, 1 washstand, 7 washbowl, 2 pitchers, 6 office chairs, 8 common chairs, 1 copying press, 3 spittoons.

IN QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE.

One bookcase, 1 common table, 1 stool; 2 spittoons.

Removed to office in the village.

Two clerks tables, 5 office chairs, 1 hat-rack, 1 mirror, 1 copying press,

IN CABINET.

One office chair, 1 table with desk, 1 spittoon, 1 set Fairbanks scales, 1 set Howe's scales, weights and measures.

IN DOME.

Two tables, 10 chairs, 1 desk, 1 scythe and snath, 1 roll oil cloth, 5 foot scrapers, 2 old cushions, 7 old mats, 21 old ink stands, 5 carpet sweepers, 1 lot gas fixtures, 9 rope mats, 1 piece zinc.

IN LIBRARY.

One desk, 2 long tables, 13 chairs, 1 stool, 1 mirror, 1 short table, 1 clock, 1 hat rack.

IN REPRESENTATIVES' HALL.

Two large stuffed chairs, 1 Speaker's chair, 36 plush chairs, 9 common chairs, 8 small sofas, 1 clerk's table, 1 reporter's table, 1 clock, 40 flags, 1 marble top table, 1 painting.

IN GOVERNOR'S ROOM.

One desk, 1 bookcase, 1 mirror, 2 sofas, 1 Governor's chair, 1 easy chair, 1 oak chair, 6 cushioned chairs, 5 flags, 1 painting, 1 clock.

IN ANTE-ROOM.

One hat stand, 2 spittoons, 1 coat rack.

IN OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF CIVIL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS.

One bookcase and writing desk, 1 bookcase, 1 table, 3 chairs, 1 mirror, 1 washstand, 1 wash bowl and pitcher, 1 pail, 2 paintings.

IN CLERK'S ROOM.

One desk, 1 bookcase, 3 chairs, 1 coat stand.

IN ASSISTANT CLERKS' ROOM.

One table, 1 bookcase, 4 chairs, 1 mirror, 1 coat stand, 3 spittoons.

IN SECRETARY OF SENATE'S ROOM.

One desk, 1 bookcase, 1 mirror, 3 arm chairs, 1 spittoon.

IN SENATE CHAMBER.

One President's chair, 7 common chairs, 2 large sofas, 2 small sofas, 30 senators chairs, 1 clerk's table, 1 reporters table, 1 clock, 2 coat stands, 24 flags.

IN VESTIBULE.

Two sofas, 4 umbrella racks, 6 coat racks, 18 mats.

IN CORRIDOR.

Twelve rubber spittoons, 1 fruit table, 6 foot scrapers, 1 fruit chest, 1 water barrel, 2 stone jars, 1 mirror, 1 pail, 2 umbrella stands, 2 coat racks, 4 rolls matting, 26 mats, 1 blacking bench.

IN BASEMENT.

Eighteen mats, 85 old spittoons, 1 snow shovel, 1 pair long steps, 1 lot tin pipe, 2 wire gravel sieves, 2 iron rakes, 1 patent mop pail, 1 work bench, 1 chair, $\frac{1}{2}$ barrel whiting, 1 cauldron kettle, 1 shovel, 1 anvil.

IN COMMITTEE ROOM, NO. 3.

One table, 1 bench, 1 office chair, 9 common chairs, 2 spittoons.

IN COMMITTEE ROOM, NO. 4.

One desk, 2 tables, 6 common chairs, 1 mirror, 2 spittoons.

IN COMMITTEE ROOM, NO. 9.

One center table, 2 common tables, 27 chairs, 2 stools, 1 clock, 1 bench, 9 lanterns, 8 tumblers, 1 tack hammer, 1 large kerosene lamp for lantern, 2 cans kerosene, one can fluid, 1 hand saw, 6 soap dishes, 4 large kerosene center lamps, 70 glass globes, 1 tray, 4 lamps, 1 hammer, 1 screw-driver, 8 long handle brushes, 6 pitchers, 1 fancy pitcher, 16 fluid lamps, 5 feather dusters, 5 dust brushes, 25 lamp chimneys, 8 brooms, 7 dust pans, 4 spittoons, 2 tables at Poland's office.

IN COMMITTEE ROOM, NOS. 11 & 12.

One long table, 10 short tables, 6 office chairs, 6 common chairs, 25 benches, 5 wooden spittoons.

IN COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 13.

One committee table, 6 common chairs, 2 spittoons, 2 benches.

IN COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 14.

Two short tables, 1 office chair, 8 common chairs, 2 spittoons.

IN COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 15.

Two short tables, 1 office chair, 15 common chairs, 2 wooden spittoons, 1 bench.

IN COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 17.

One table, 1 small bureau, 1 coat-stand, 1 mirror, 1 office chair, 10 common chairs, 1 spittoon.

IN ENGINE ROOM.

One washsink, 1 washbowl and pitcher, 1 looking glass, 2 wash tubs, 6 chairs, 2 ladders, 1 shovel, 2 ash pails, 1 fire shovel, 2 iron pokers, 1 monkey wrench, 1 work bench, 1 vice, 1 screw plate, 1 tap, 2 pair steps, 2 wrenches, 2 axes, 2 oil cans, 10 pair steam pipe tongs, 1 steel bar, 1 strainer, 1 tool chest.

EXPENDITURES.

The following is a correct exhibit of my account with the State, and embraces the entire expenditures for the year, to the commencement of

the present session—except a few bills which I was unable to procure in season for this report,—and a few contracted since the session commenced. A portion of the account has already been audited and paid. A copy of the remainder with the proper vouchers has been filed in the Auditor's office.

STATE OF VERMONT TO Z. C. CAMP,		Dr.
1885.		
March	Paid George Jacobs, one quart alcohol.....	\$1 50
Aug.	N. P. Brooks, one iron faucet.....	50
Sept. 11	N. K. Brown, sponge.....	1 95
	Thos. W. McKee, for work.....	5 00
Oct. 8	J. L. Cummings, blacksmithing.....	2 60
11	G. W. Wilder, one dozen red ink.....	3 60
14	E. R. Skinner, stationery.....	58 73
	J. P. Dewey, blacking.....	90
17	Brainerd & Co., repairing furniture.....	11 10
	N. P. Brooks, hardware.....	6 70
19	C. W. Storrs, soap.....	25
	Scott & Co., sundries.....	2 62
	J. A. Taft, brooms.....	8 00
	H. F. Marsh, stationery.....	2 75
	C. E. Silver, trucking.....	30 85
20	Cheney & Co., expressage.....	85
21	H. F. Marsh, stationery.....	20 00
22	Cheney & Co., expressage.....	50
24	Enos Stiles, oil.....	158 80
26	John Horn, nine and one-half days work, \$200.....	19 00
28	John McCue, trucking.....	13 50
Nov. 3	A. A. Mead, sundries.....	130 10
	Wood Bixby & Co., oil, &c.....	4 75
	S. P. Redfield, lime.....	75
	H. F. Marsh & Co., stationery.....	5 00
4	Ballou Loveland & Co., stationery.....	35 01
	Cheney & Co., expressage.....	30
6	Fields Express, truckage.....	51 80
7	J. P. Dewey, sundries.....	11 00
	Dennis Lane, iron railing.....	59 50
	Q. D. Cole, wood.....	240 00
4	J. C. Spear, repairs.....	37 36
3	D. Dewey, sundries.....	22 27
7	Charles Walling.....	70
1	Washburn & Davis, work, &c.....	29 25
7	A. K. Harvey, clerk in office.....	90 00
9	John Howieson, engineer thirty-six and one-half days	109 50
	John Howieson, thirty miles travel.....	3 00
	Wm. Howieson assistant engineer thirty-six and one-half days.....	71 00
	Wm. Howieson, thirty miles travel.....	3 00
	Jesse Hutchinson, labor thirty-six days.....	108 00
	J. A. Philbrick, labor thirty-one days.....	62 00
	John Voodry, labor thirty-four days.....	68 00
	B. S. Scribner, labor forty days.....	80 00
	Chas. Walling, labor thirty days.....	60 00
	Ed. Thayer, labor thirty-two days.....	64 00
	A. B. Tanner, labor thirty-two days.....	64 00

Nov. 9	Self fifteen days up to commencement of session....	\$30 00
	Lumber furnished for stagings.....	8 07
	One carpet sweeper furnished.....	4 00
March	J. Howieson, one quart lard oil.....	65
Nov. 9	M. P. Courser, crape, &c.....	14 69
	R. H. Whittier, ice.....	30 73
10	H. D. Hopkins, express and telegraph.....	10 85
	Cheney & Co., express.....	40
	Elizabeth Voodry, washing.....	6 00
	Mrs. Jones, four days cleaning house.....	5 00
	Fields Express, drawing water.....	14 00
11	Self two days cleaning house.....	4 00
	Louisa Wright, two days cleaning house.....	2 50
	Mrs. Jones, two days cleaning house.....	2 50
	Mrs. Zunderville, two days cleaning house.....	2 50
	Ellis & Co.....	14 25
	H. Barnes, soap.....	30
	H. F. Marsh & Co., stationery.....	19 50
	E. R. Skinner, stationery.....	9 00
	Mrs. Maloney, for washing.....	7 50
	H. O. Tanner, work thirty-one days.....	38 75
	Nathaniel Ainsworth, work fifty-two days.....	65 00
	Fifty cords wood, \$5 50.....	275 00
	Hyde & Foster, sundries.....	6 39
	M. P. Wheeler, lumber.....	9 40
	Anson Davis, surveying wood.....	1 00
Apr. 17	E. Scribner, one hoe.....	1 00
June 28	E. L. Taplin, one and one-half days haying.....	3 00
29	Lewis Greenwood, one day haying.....	2 00
	Peter St. John, two days haying.....	4 00
	John Ewing, four days haying.....	8 00
	E. Seaver, drawing hay.....	4 00
Aug. 27	H. G. Kent, drawing hay.....	3 00
	Peter St. John, two days haying.....	4 00
	Henry Sanders, two and one-half days haying.....	5 00
	James Vincent, two days haying.....	4 00
	J. M. D. Cilley, three days haying.....	6 00
Sept. 22	E. L. Taplin, clearing privy.....	3 00
24	Hope Envelope Co., stationery.....	243 25
Oct. 1	H. F. Marsh & Co., stationery.....	791 89
	J. Smith & Son, carpeting &c.....	236 23
	Freeman Williams, painting roof.....	75 00
6	H. F. Marsh & Co., stationery.....	379 17
9	G. W. Wilder, stationery.....	2 10
	J. P. Dewey, blacking and soap.....	1 35
	E. N. Scovill, oil cloth, &c.....	104 87
10	J. Horn, work in yard six days.....	12 00
	Scott & Co., sundries.....	16 27
11	Ballou, Loveland & Co., quills.....	20
12	Mrs. Rivers, eleven days cleaning house.....	13 75
	Mrs. Marcott, eleven days cleaning house.....	13 75
13	Mrs. Jones, twelve and one-half days cleaning house.....	15 63
1866.		
Oct. 12	H. & C. F. Fullerton, two boxes eyelets.....	70
	Ballou, Loveland & Co., ink.....	97
	D. Dewey, sundries.....	26 60

Oct.	12	N. P. Brooks, glass, &c.....	\$17 28
	13	A. A. Mead, sundries.....	63 50
1865.			
Oct.		J. Demerit, fixing keys.....	60
1866.			
Oct.		J. P. Dewey, nails, cement, &c.....	12 60
		Z. P. Trow, work, &c., from Oct. 8th, 1865, to Aug. 12th, 1866.....	58 66
Sept.		Expenses to Boston buying stationery.....	24 50
	24	D. Dewey, rags for cleaning house.....	2 25
Oct.	5	R. Perrin, repairing lamps.....	1 00
	13	Washburn & Davis, work, &c.....	74 19
		Cheney & Co., express bills.....	26 25
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			\$4603 53

CREDIT.

By expenses of last session audited and paid.....	\$1884 38
By amount audited March 3, 1866, and paid.....	456 59
By five tons of hay.....	50 00
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	\$2390 97
Balance due.....	\$2212 56

Z. C. CAMP, Sergeant-at-Arms.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, }
 Montpelier, Oct. 26, 1866. }

To the General Assembly of the State of Vermont :

The undersigned, Auditor of Accounts, respectfully reports that the Treasurer going out of office, the Treasurer for the time being, and the Auditor of Accounts and Inspector of Finance, have adjusted and struck the balance of the account of the Hon. John B. Page, the Treasurer going out of office, of all moneys by him received and paid out for the use of the State since his last settlement with the Auditor of Accounts, September 10th, 1866, and up to October 18th, 1866, and that the Treasurer going out of office has paid to his successor the balance found against him, and has delivered all books of account, memorandum or registry, all bonds, bills, notes, obligations, contracts, securities, and all other instruments or papers appertaining or relating to the treasury department.

A statement of the account of the late Treasurer, of his receipts and disbursements for the period above mentioned, is annexed.

DUGALD STEWART, Auditor of Accounts.

STATE OF VERMONT IN ACCOUNT WITH J. B. PAGE, TREASURER.

CREDIT.

By cash received as follows :

Balance in Treasury, Sept. 10th, 1866.....	\$28,576 67
Sinking fund, balance brought forward.....	75,500 00
From County Clerks.....	855 40
From Judges of Probate.....	1,239 21
Railroad Commissioner's salary, 1865-6, sundry railroads..	117 01
Collected on tax of 1865.....	4,479 68
From sundry persons on account of liquor prosecutions....	375 32
From J. H. Hastings, fine, State v Billings.....	150 00
From H. M. McClure, blind beneficiary.....	25 00
From P. P. Pitkin, Quartermaster General.....	8,700 56
Interest on taxes and balances.....	1,301 31
Organized militia, fines.....	13 00
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	\$121,333 16

Treasurer's Office, Montpelier, Oct. 18, 1866.

STATE OF VERMONT IN ACCOUNT WITH J. B. PAGE, TREASURER.

DEBIT.

To cash paid as follows :

Auditor's orders.....	\$32,160 94
Sinking fund, State bonds of 1871, redeemed and canceled..	48,500 00
Allotments of United States pay.....	148 00
Court orders.....	4,514 20
Extra pay of seven dollars per month.....	807 29
Organized militia, pay rolls.....	228 00
Interest :	
On allotments and taxes.....	\$108 27
On State bonds.....	1,201 10
	<u>1,309 37</u>
Sinking fund, balance.....	27,000 00
Balance in Treasury, Oct. 18th, 1866.....	6,665 36
	<u>\$121,333 16</u>

Treasurer's Office, Montpelier, Oct. 18, 1866.

ACCOUNT OF STATE TAXES.

Tax of 1865, of 60 per cent. on \$1,037,660 05.....	\$622,596 06
Deduct abatements and collection fees.....	27,705 49
	<u>\$594,890 57</u>
Add 60 per cent. on list of unorganized towns and gores..	866 12
	<u>595,756 69</u>
Accounted for up to Sept. 10th 1866.....	\$589,879 13
Accounted for up to Oct. 18th, 1866.....	4,479 68
	<u>\$594,358 81</u>
Balance to be accounted for.....	\$1,397 88
Due from Berkshire.....	60 00
Due from Goshen Gore.....	196 27
Due from Goshen and Harris Gore.....	51 28
Due from Royalton.....	1,030 33
Due from Whiting.....	60 00
	<u>\$1,397 88</u>

SURGEON GENERAL'S REPORT.

STATE OF VERMONT, OFFICE OF SURGEON GENERAL, }
Burlington, October, 1866. }

To his Excellency, Paul Dillingham, Governor of Vermont :

I have the honor to report that little of general interest has transpired in the Medical Bureau of this State since the last annual report.

In October 1865, there was but one commissioned officer connected with the medical staff of Vermont volunteers in the service of the United States, viz., Edwin M. Trueworthy, Surgeon of the Seventh Regiment, Vermont Volunteers. He was honorably mustered out of service March 14th, 1866.

Early in the war blanks were distributed from this office amongst the surgeons and assistant surgeons, for the purpose of procuring a record of the deaths and places of interment of Vermont soldiers. A considerable number of returns have been received, and I hope at no very distant period to be able to furnish a record quite complete, of the places of interment of Vermont soldiers who died in the United States service during the late rebellion.

I have also the "individual records" of a large number of officers and soldiers who have served in Vermont volunteer regiments, which will be of interest in connection with the history of the war, and the part taken in it by the citizens of Vermont.

The organization in this State of a Bureau of Military Statistics would be a very important step in the direction towards obtaining facts and incidents connected with the "Vermont military history of the war."

When the battalion of the ninth regiment was mustered out of service and in rendezvous at Burlington, hospital accommodations were not sufficient for the number sick, and temporary provisions were made and supplies provided to meet their wants, the expenses of which could not be chargeable to the general government.

The correspondence with soldiers making inquiries relative to bounties, pensions and the procurement of artificial limbs, has been very considerable, and required much time and patience in its attention.

In compliance with General Order No. 8, Adjutant and Inspector General's office, dated Woodstock, Vt., March 28th, 1865, an order was issued from this office, dated August 13th, 1866, directing the several boards of medical examiners to hold a meeting at some central point within their respective regimental districts for the purpose of examining all who should present themselves for examination, and claim exemption from the performance of military duty because of physical disability.

(Copy of order.)

STATE OF VERMONT, OFFICE SURGEON GENERAL, }
Burlington, August 13th, 1866. }

SIR: You are hereby directed to meet at on Thursday, Sept. 6th, 1866, for the purpose of examining all enrolled men in the regimental district of Vermont, who present themselves for examination, and claim to be exempt from the performance of military duty by reason of physical infirmity.

In the discharge of said duty you will give notice of the time and place of said meeting, and otherwise be guided by instructions contained in sections ninety-eight to one hundred and six, General Order No. 8, Adjutant General's office, dated at Woodstock, Vt., March 28th, 1865.

You are requested to exercise your own judgment in selecting the place of meeting (within your regimental district), so as to secure the attendance of the greatest number of applicants with the least expense and inconvenience to them. Only one meeting of the board will be holden until further notice.

All necessary blanks will be furnished from the Adjutant General's office.

You are respectfully requested to make your returns to this office with as little delay as possible after the meeting of the board.

By order of the governor and commander-in-chief.

SAMUEL W. THAYER, Surgeon General.

} Board of Medical Examiners,
} Regimental District.

In pursuance of the foregoing order, the following results have been obtained :

FIRST DISTRICT.

No returns.

SECOND DISTRICT.

Members of the organized militia—Examined, eleven ; temporarily exempted, eleven.

Enrolled men—No applicants.

THIRD DISTRICT.

Members of the organized militia—Examined, four ; exempted, four.

Enrolled men—No applicants.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

Members of the organized militia—No applicants.

Enrolled men—No applicants.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

Members of the organized militia—No applicants.

Enrolled men—No applicants.

SIXTH DISTRICT.

No returns.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

Members of the organized militia—Examination, one ; temporarily exempted, one.

Enrolled men—No applicants.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Members of the organized militia—Examined, one ; exempted, one.

NINTH DISTRICT.

Members of the organized militia—No applicants.

Enrolled men—No applicants.

TENTH DISTRICT.

Members of the organized militia—Examined, three; exempted, two not exempted, one.

Enrolled men—No applicants.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

No returns.

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

Members of the organized militia—Examined, one; exempted, one.

Enrolled men—No applicants.

REGIMENTAL SURGEONS AND ASSISTANT SURGEONS OF THE VERMONT STATE MILITIA.

<i>Regiment.</i>	<i>Names.</i>	<i>Rank.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>
1.....	J. O. CRAMTON.....	Surgeon.....	Fairfield.
.....	W. R. HUTCHINSON.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Enosburgh.
2.....	H. H. ATWATER.....	Surgeon.....	Burlington.
.....	J. E. FRINK.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Waterbury.
3.....	E. D. WARNER.....	Surgeon.....	New Haven.
.....	E. T. WHEELER.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Bristol.
4.....	GEO. W. NICHOLS.....	Surgeon.....	Waitsfield.
.....	MARCUS IDE.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Calais.
5.....	C. G. CAHOON.....	Surgeon.....	Lyndon.
.....	C. G. ADAMS.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Island Pond.
6.....	G. B. BULLARD.....	Surgeon.....	St. Jonsbury.
.....	A. J. HYDE.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Hardwick.
7.....	E. F. UPHAM.....	Surgeon.....	West Randolph.
.....	T. J. SIMSON.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Vershire.
8.....	G. H. VAN DEUSEN.....	Surgeon.....	Bethel.
.....	WM. EVERETT.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Windsor.
9.....	A. T. WOODARD.....	Surgeon.....	Brandon.
.....	L. D. ROSS.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Poultney.
10.....	L. M. TUTTLE.....	Surgeon.....	Springfield.
.....	M. C. EDMONDS.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Weston.
11.....	M. T. LOVE.....	Surgeon.....	Hennington.
.....	LYMAN ROGERS.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Shaftsbury.
12.....	H. D. HOLTON.....	Surgeon.....	Putney.
.....	W. H. ELLIS.....	Assistant Surgeon.....	Townshend.

The foregoing report is respectfully submitted.

With assurances of high regard and esteem,

I remain, very respectfully,

Your most obedient servant,

SAMUEL W. THAYER, *Surgeon General.*

MANUAL OF THE LEGISLATURE OF VERMONT FOR THE YEAR 1866.

The "term" of Senators and Representatives means the term of service in both Houses. As to the other officers, "term" means the number of years served by each in such office.

JUDICIARY AND CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATES.

UNITED STATES OFFICERS.

	Office.	When and where born.	Occupation.	Term.
Hon. David A. Smalley, Burlington.....	District Judge.....	Middlebury, April 6, 1809.....	attorney.....	10
Dudley C. Dennison, Royalton.....	District Attorney.....	Royalton, Sept. 13, 1819.....	attorney.....	2
Hugh H. Henry, Chester.....	Marshal.....	Chester, Oct. 18, 1814.....	farmer.....	2
Bradley B. Smalley, Burlington.....	Clerk.....	Jericho, Nov. 26, 1836.....	clerk.....	6

SUPREME COURT OF VERMONT.

John Pierpoint, Vergennes.....	Chief Justice.....	Litchfield, Conn., Sept. 10, 1806.....	attorney.....	10
James Barrett, Woodstock.....	Assistant Justice.....	Strafford, May 31, 1814.....	attorney.....	10
Loyal C. Kellogg, Rutland.....	Assistant Justice.....	Benson Feb. 13, 1816.....	attorney.....	8
Asahel Peck, Montpelier.....	Assistant Justice.....	Montpelier.....	attorney.....	7
William C. Wilson, Bakersfield.....	Assistant Justice.....	Cambridge, July 23, 1812.....	attorney.....	2
Benjamin H. Steele, Derby.....	Assistant Justice.....	Brentwood, N. H., Dec. 6, 1835.....	attorney.....	3
Wheelock G. Veazey, Rutland.....	Reporter.....			

CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION.

Luke P. Poland, St. Johnsbury.....	Senator.....	Westford, Nov. 2, 1815.....	attorney.....	1
George F. Edmunds, Burlington.....	Senator.....	Richmond, Feb. 1, 1828.....	attorney.....	1
Frederick E. Woodbridge, Vergennes.....	Representative.....	Vergennes, Aug. 29, 1819.....	attorney.....	4
Justin S. Morrill, Strafford.....	Representative.....	Strafford, April 12, 1810.....	farmer.....	12
Portus Baxter, Derby Line.....	Representative.....	Brownington, Dec. 4, 1806.....	merchant.....	7

CIVIL GOVERNMENT OF VERMONT.

<i>EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.</i>	<i>Office.</i>	<i>When and where born.</i>	<i>Occupation.</i>	<i>Term.</i>
PAUL DILLINGHAM, Waterbury, Governor.....		Shutesbury, Mass., Aug. 10, 1799.....	attorney.....	5
ABRAHAM B. GARDNER, Bennington, Lieutenant Governor.....		Pownal, Sept. 2, 1819.....	attorney.....	4
JOHN A. PAGE, Montpelier, Treasurer.....		Haverhill, N. H., June 17, 1814.....	banker.....	2
GEORGE NICHOLS, Northfield, Secretary of State.....		Northfield, April 17, 1827.....	physician.....	2
RODNEY LUND, Montpelier, Deputy Secretary of State.....		Corinth, April 28, 1830.....	attorney.....	1
DANIEL G. THOMPSON, Montpelier, Assistant Secretary of State.....		Montpelier, Feb. 9, 1850.....	coll. student.....	4
CHARLES M. GAY, Rutland, Sec'y of Civil and Military Affairs.....		Stockbridge, July 10, 1834.....	editor.....	2
DUGARD STEWART, Middlebury, Auditor of Accounts.....		Middlebury, Sept. 26, 1831.....	county clerk.....	4
ZEBINA C. CAMP, Montpelier, Sergeant-at-Arms.....		Tunbridge, Feb. 6, 1805.....	civil engineer.....	2
CHARLES REED, Montpelier, Librarian.....		Thetford, Nov. 24, 1814.....	attorney.....	7
GEORGE W. WING, Montpelier, Assistant Librarian.....		Plainfield, Oct. 22, 1843.....	attorney.....	3
RODNEY LUND, Montpelier, Assistant Librarian.....		Corinth, April 28, 1830.....	attorney.....	1
ASA R. CAMP, Stowe, Bank Commissioner.....		Stowe, May 6, 1825.....	merchant.....	3
DAVID E. NICHOLSON, Wallingford, Railroad Commissioner.....		Tinmouth, June 7, 1813.....	attorney.....	2
WILLIAM WELLS, Waterbury, Adjutant and Inspector General.....		Waterbury, Dec. 14, 1837.....	merchant.....	1
PERLEY P. PITKIN, Montpelier, Quartermaster General.....		Marshfield, May, 1826.....	merchant.....	6
STEPHEN F. ATWOOD, Monkton, Judge Advocate General.....		Monkton, April 26, 1826.....	farmer.....	1
HOMER GOODHUE, Westminster, Commissioner of Insane.....		Westminster, March 4, 1811.....	farmer.....	1
JAMES A. POLLARD, Windsor, Superintendent State Prison.....		Plymouth, Nov. 19, 1817.....	farmer.....	4
CHARLES A. FORBUSH, Springfield, } SAMUEL MERRIAM, Johnson, } HENRY LANE, Cornwall, } Directors of State Prison.....		Reading, Jan. 8, 1823..... Macon, N. H., April 9, 1798..... Cornwall, Feb. 14, 1824.....	merchant..... farmer..... farmer.....	2 2 2
A. D. HAGER, Proctorsville, Curator of Cabinet.....		Chester, Nov. 1, 1817.....	geologist.....	2

THE SENATE.

<i>Officers.</i>	<i>When and where born.</i>	<i>Occupation.</i>	<i>Term.</i>
Abraham B. Gardner.....	Pownal, Sept. 2, 1819.....	attorney.....	4
Henry Clark, Poultney.....	Middletown, Feb. 10, 1828.....	merchant.....	6

<i>Officers.</i>	<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Senators.</i>	<i>Address.</i>	<i>Rel. & Pol. Pref.</i>	<i>When and where born.</i>	<i>Occupation.</i>	<i>Term.</i>
James S. Peck, Montpelier.		Ass't Secretary	Montpelier, Dec., 1839.			attorney	1
Pliny H. White, Coventry		Chaplain	Springfield, Oct. 6, 1822.			clergyman	7
<i>Counties.</i>							
ADDISON.....	Lucius E. Smith, Monkton	lib.	Monkton, Oct. 5, 1824.			farmer	9
BENNINGTON.....	Marcus O. Porter, Cornwall	cong.	Tinmouth, May 16, 1807			physician	4
	Ira Cochran, Dorset	cong.	London, Nov. 4, 1810			farmer	4
CALEDONIA.....	Henry G. Root, Bennington	cong.	Greenfield, Mass., Sept. 18, 1818			tinmith	3
	George Ide, Lyndon	cong.	Lyndon, April 20, 1820			farmer	4
	William Sanborn, Peacham	cong.	Peacham, Sept. 15, 1808			farmer	1
CHITTENDEN.....	Russell S. Taft, Burlington	univ.	Williston, Jan. 28, 1835			attorney	2
	John L. Barstow, Shelburne	epis.	Shelburne, Feb. 21, 1832			farmer	3
	Edgar H. Lane, Jericho	cong.	Jericho, July 1, 1820			merchant	3
ESSEX.....	George N. Dale, Brighton	cong.	Fairfax, Feb. 19, 1835			attorney	3
FRANKLIN.....	Albert G. Soule, Fairfield	epis.	Fairfield, Aug. 11, 1811			merchant	6
	Joshua Clapp, Montgomery	epis.	Montgomery, Feb. 15, 1805			farmer	6
	Bradley Barlow, St. Albans	no pf.	Fairfield, May 12, 1813			cashier	6
GRAND ISLE.....	Henry C. Hill, Isle La Motte	no pf.	Isle La Motte, July 1, 1828			merchant	1
LAMOLLE.....	George W. Hendee, Morrisville	chris.	Stowe, Nov. 30, 1832			attorney	3
ORANGE.....	Burnam Martin, Chelsea	no pf.	Williamstown, Aug. 10, 1811			attorney	4
	Hiram Barrett, Strafford	univ.	Strafford, March 31, 1811			farmer	4
ORLEANS.....	Jonathan F. Skinner, Barton	cong.	Grantland, N. H., Sept. 19, 1803			physician	2
	Luther Baker, Newport	hap.	Newport, May 7, 1820			merchant	4
RUTLAND.....	Pitt W. Hyde, Castleton	epis.	Sudbury, March 3, 1816			marble dealer	5
	John Howe, Jr., Brandon	cong.	Boston, Mass., Sept. 24, 1819			manufacturer	2
SENECA.....	Seneca M. Dorr, Rutland	meth.	Chatham, N. Y., Aug. 14, 1821			attorney	4
WASHINGTON.....	Charles Reed, Montpelier	unita.	Thetford, Nov. 24, 1814			attorney	5
	William W. Henry, Waterbury	cong.	Waterbury, Nov. 21, 1831			farmer	3
	Jasper H. Orcutt, Northfield	cong.	Roxbury, Feb. 25, 1824			merchant	3
WINDHAM.....	Daniel Kellogg, Brattleboro	epis.	Amherst, Mass., 1791			attorney	2
	Homer Goodhue, Westminster	cong.	Westminster, March 4, 1811			farmer	3

WINDSOR.....	Hosea Doton, Pomfret.....	univ. u.....	Pomfret, Nov. 29, 1809.....	teacher.....	2
	Merrick Gay, Stockbridge.....	univ. u.....	Stockbridge, Nov. 15, 1802.....	manufacturer.....	6
	Hiram Harlow, Windsor.....	cong. u.....	Rockingham, Oct. 16, 1810.....	farmer.....	8
<i>Officers.</i>					
	Loammi B. Flint, St. Johnsbury, Door-Keeper.....	cong. u.....	Williamstown, Oct. 10, 1810.....	mechanic.....	3
	Wm. R. Rowell, North Troy, Ass't Door-Keeper.....				
	John V. Brooks, Montpelier, Messenger.....	cong. u.....	East Randolph, June 23, 1849.....	student.....	3
	Charles H. Loveland, Huntington, Messenger.....	no pf. u.....	Huntington, July 9, 1851.....	clerk.....	1
<i>Reporters.</i>					
	M. E. Smilie, Montpelier, Walton's Daily.....		Cambridge, Aug. 21, 1844.....	attorney.....	
	M. B. Walker, Brattleboro, Daily Argus and Patriot.....		Granville, N. Y., April 25, 1842.....	law student.....	

RECAPITULATION OF THE SENATE.

Occupation.—Farmers 11; Attorneys 9; Merchants 6; Manufacturers 2; Physicians 2; Mechanic 1; Clergyman 1; Tinsmith 1; Marble Dealer 1; Student 1; Cashier 1; Teacher 1; Clerk 1; Law Student 1.

Nativities.—Vermont 32; Massachusetts 3; New York 1; New Hampshire 1.

Religious Preferences.—Cong. 15; Epis. 5; Univ. 4; No Pref. 4; Unitas. 1; Lib. 1; Chris. 1; Rep. 1; Meth. 1.

Oldest Senator, Daniel Kellogg, 75 years. Youngest Senators, Russell S. Taft, 31 years; George N. Dale, 31 years.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

<i>Officers.</i>	<i>When and where born.</i>	<i>Occupation.</i>	<i>Term.</i>
John W. Stewart, Middlebury, Speaker.....	Middlebury, Nov. 14, 1825.....	attorney.....	7
John H. Flagg, Bennington, Clerk.....	Wilmington, July 11, 1843.....	attorney.....	3
Albert Clarke, Rochester, Assistant Clerk.....	Granville, Oct. 13, 1840.....	attorney.....	3
Eldin J. Hartshorn, Rutland, Assistant Clerk.....	Lunenburg, June 16, 1842.....	law student.....	1
D. Webster Dixon, Grand Isle, Assistant Clerk.....	Grand Isle, March 17, 1840.....	clerk.....	2
Nahum P. Foster, Montpelier, Chaplain.....	Fitzwilliam, N. H., Feb. 10, 1814.....	clergyman.....	1
Isaac W. Sanborn, Lyndon, } Clerks to make up }	Lyndon, Feb. 16, 1823.....	farmer.....	2
J. Hayward Lucia, Bridport, } the Grand List }	Bridport, March 17, 1842.....	law student.....	1
<i>Reporters.</i>			
A. C. Brown, Montpelier, Walton's Daily.....	Sutton, July 10, 1828.....	insurance agent.....	
Wm. W. Eaton, Hydepark, Daily Argus and Patriot.....	Morristown, May 8, 1845.....	attorney.....	

ADDISON COUNTY.

<i>Towns.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>	<i>Rel. & Pol. Pref.</i>	<i>When and where born.</i>	<i>Occupation.</i>	<i>Term.</i>
Addison, Lyman Clark, Jr.	fr th.	Addison, March 12, 1830.	farmer	1
Bridport, Sheldon Smith	bap.	Bridport, Nov. 26, 1810	farmer	2
Bristol, George W. Parmelee.	cong.	Bristol, Nov. 13, 1814.	merchant	2
Cornwall, Henry Lane.	cong.	Cornwall, Feb. 14, 1824.	farmer	3
Ferrisburgh, David Smith.	meth.	Leicester, July 26, 1813.	farmer	1
Goshen, S. R. Stickney.	no pf.	Goshen, Oct. 22, 1829.	farmer	4
Granville, Joseph P. Ball.	no pf.	Granville, May 24, 1809.	farmer	5
Hancock, R. Clafin.	no pf.	Hancock, Sept. 13, 1811.	farmer	4
Leicester, George O. Swinington.	no pf.	Leicester, Sept. 22, 1818.	farmer	1
Lincoln, Elihu Purinton.	bap.	Weybridge, Sept. 8, 1814.	farmer	2
Middlebury, John W. Stewart.	cong.	Middlebury, Nov. 14, 1825.	attorney	7
Monkton, Joseph Carter.	meth.	Orwell, June 30, 1828.	farmer	2
New Haven, Ward Bullard.	meth.	Massena, N. Y., Feb. 8, 1810.	farmer	1
Orwell, Julius C. Thomas.	cong.	Orwell, Oct. 7, 1801.	farmer	2
Panton, Henry Allen.	u.	Ferrisburgh, Jan. 1, 1818.	farmer	1
Ripton, Nathaniel McQuivey.	meth.	Williston, Sept. 4, 1819.	farmer	2
Salisbury, William Deming.	cong.	Salisbury, Dec. 17, 1817.	blacksmith	1
Shoreham, R. Birchard.	cong.	Shoreham, April 23, 1819.	farmer	1
Starksboro, Franklin N. Hill.	bap.	Starksboro, Sept. 15, 1839.	merchant	1
Vergennes, Benjamin F. Goss.	cong.	Peacham, Oct. 28, 1806.	manufacturer	1
Waltham, Elijah F. Benton.	no pf.	Waltham, June 9, 1826.	farmer	2
Weybridge, Francis Ayres.	meth.	Royalton, March 5, 1807.	farmer	1
Whiting, Albert Hubbard.	no pf.	Whiting, Feb. 6, 1827.	farmer	2

BENNINGTON COUNTY.

Arlington, Henry S. Hard.	.....	epis.	Oswego, N. Y., June 1, 1830.	merchant	1
Bennington, Trenor W. Park.	.....	no pf.	Bennington, Dec. 8, 1823.	attorney	2
Dorset, A. B. Armstrong.	.....	sp ist.	Dorset, Nov. 7, 1817.	farmer	1
Glastenbury, George Eddy.	.....	univ.	Woodford, March 18, 1821.	lumberman	1

Landgrove, W. W. Wiley.....	no pf.....u.....	Landgrove, Oct. 17, 1833.....	farmer.....	1
Manchester, Ahiman L. Miner.....	epis.....u.....	Middletown, Sept. 23, 1804.....	attorney.....	10
Peru, Oliver P. Simonds.....	cong.....u.....	Peru, March 25, 1816.....	shoemaker.....	1
Pownal, B. N. Foster.....	rest.....u.....	Pownal, Sept. 8, 1833.....	farmer.....	1
Readsboro, Silas Mason.....	univ.....u.....	Princeton, Mass., April 6, 1826.....	manufacterer.....	3
Rupert, George Hopkins.....	no pf.....u.....	Rupert, April 22, 1819.....	farmer.....	2
Sandgate, William B. Randall.....	lib.....u.....	Sandgate, Feb. 22, 1833.....	farmer.....	3
Searsburgh, Simon Doane.....	.....	.....	.....	21
Shafsbury, Myron Barton.....	bap.....u.....	Shafsbury, April 17, 1821.....	farmer.....	2
Stamford, S. W. Webster.....	sp'ist.....u.....	Townshend, Sept. 26, 1824.....	farmer.....	2
Sunderland, Paul Shuffleton.....	meth.....u.....	England, Oct. 14, 1829.....	agent man'f oo.....	3
Winhall, J. M. Coleman.....	ortho.....u.....	Medway, Mass., Feb. 17, 1817.....	manufacterer.....	1
Woodford, Elner Gleason.....	univ.....u.....	Rowe, Mass., Feb. 26, 1827.....	farmer.....	2

CALEDONIA COUNTY.

Barnet, William J. Stewart.....	pres.....u.....	Barnet, Aug. 22, 1798.....	farmer.....	1
Burke, H. R. Brown.....	bap.....u.....	Burke, Feb. 25, 1834.....	farmer.....	1
Danville, Benjamin Greenbank.....	meth.....u.....	England, June 14, 1825.....	manufacterer.....	2
Groton, Daniel Coffrin.....	no pf.....u.....	Groton, July 28, 1821.....	farmer.....	3
Hardwick, Henry A. Shedd.....	cong.....u.....	Hardwick, Feb. 24, 1820.....	clerk.....	1
Kirby, Charles H. Graves.....	cong.....u.....	Westminster, Jan. 23, 1809.....	farmer.....	6
Lyndon, S. S. Thompson.....	bap.....u.....	Halifax, Mass., April 12, 1823.....	contractor.....	3
Newark, Moulton A. Taft.....	bap.....u.....	Sutton, Feb. 16, 1834.....	farmer.....	2
Peacham, Harvey Sanborn.....	no pf.....u.....	Peacham, Aug. 17, 1817.....	merchant.....	2
Ryegeate, J. F. Nelson.....	pres.....u.....	Ryegeate, Dec. 4, 1822.....	farmer.....	1
Sheffield, Sewall Bradley.....	bap.....op.....	Wheelock, Oct. 24, 1803.....	farmer.....	7
St. Johnsbury, Jonathan Ross.....	cong.....u.....	Waterford, April 30, 1826.....	attorney.....	2
Sutton, William F. Ruggles.....	bap.....u.....	Sutton, April 17, 1826.....	drover.....	2
Walden, Harvey Foster.....	meth.....u.....	Walden, March 22, 1828.....	farmer.....	1
Waterford, L. S. Freeman.....	univ.....u.....	Waterford, July 11, 1812.....	farmer.....	1
Wheelock, Elijah Willard.....	bap.....u.....	Wheelock, June 25, 1810.....	farmer.....	1

CHITTENDEN COUNTY.

<i>Towns.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>	<i>Rel. & Pol. Pref.</i>	<i>When and where born.</i>	<i>Occupation.</i>	<i>Term.</i>
Bolton, Edwin R. Morse.		no pf.	Bolton, Feb. 5, 1827	station agent	1
Burlington, Fred M. Van Sicken.		unita.	Burlington, May 20, 1821	merchant	1
Charlottesville, Peter E. Pease.		cong.	Litchfield, Ct., May 11, 1818	farmer	2
Colchester, Sidney H. Weston.		meth.	Chesterfield, N. Y., Dec. 15, 1825	farmer	2
Essex, William B. Weston.		bap.	Plattsburgh, N. Y., Oct. 23, 1821	farmer	2
Hinesburgh, John W. Miles.		bap.	Hinesburgh, April 14, 1812	physician	1
Huntington, L. C. Snyder.		no pf.	Huntington, Aug. 28, 1827	produce dealer	3
Jericho, none					
Milton, Henry H. Woods.		cong.	Milton, June 30, 1832	merchant	1
Richmond, U. S. Whitcomb.		cong.	Richmond, Jan. 22, 1819	farmer	3
Shelburne, R. J. White.		meth.	Shelburne, Dec. 23, 1829	farmer	1
South Burlington, Asa R. Slocum.		cong.	South Burlington, April 7, 1833	farmer	2
St. George, George K. Hinsdell.		no pf.	St. George, Nov. 2, 1812	farmer	1
Underhill, George W. Roberts.		epis.	Putney, Nov. 23, 1821	physician	2
Westford, J. H. Richardson.		unita.	Barnard, Nov. 29, 1816	physician	1
Williston, Alvin C. Welch.		unita.	Canaan, N. H., April 28, 1817	physician	4

ESSEX COUNTY.

Bloomfield, Moses Pattee.	meth.	Stanstead, C. E., Aug. 23, 1811	clergyman	3
Brighton, R. P. Noyes.	cong.	Norway, Me., Jan. 23, 1834	engineer	1
Brunswick, Chauncey H. Fitts.	no pf.	Brantree, Sept. 10, 1825	farmer	4
Canaan, Hiram P. Cooper.	univ.	Canaan, March 24, 1818	farmer	1
Concord, Harvey Judevine.	cong.	Concord, March 28, 1820	farmer	2
East Haven, A. S. Howard.	meth.	Ludlow, May 20, 1814	farmer	1
Granby, John W. Buzzell.	meth.	Thetford, June 29, 1835	farmer	1
Guildhall, C. E. Benton.	cong.	Waterford, Dec. 11, 1825	county clerk	1
Lemington, David H. Cook.	meth.	Roomfield, July 27, 1831	farmer	1
Lanesburgh, Roswell Bowker.	cong.	Lanesburgh, Aug. 26, 1817	farmer	2
Maidstone, C. S. Stevens.	cong.	Maidstone, May 28, 1837	farmer	1
Victory, George A. Appleton.	cong.	Granby, Nov. 23, 1823	farmer	1

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Bakersfield, S. T. Learnard.....	meth.....u.....	Fairfax, Dec. 3, 1807.....	ret. merchant..	4
Berkshire, James R. Stone.....	meth.....u.....	Waterbury, July 7, 1816.....	harness maker.	1
Enosburgh, Hazen B. Ladd.....	no pf.....u.....	Enosburgh, Sept. 23, 1818.....	collector.....	1
Fairfax, Lewis A. Dunn.....	hap.....u.....	Bakersfield, June 12, 1814.....	clergyman.....	2
Fairfield, Josiah O. Cramton.....	epis.....op.....	Berkshire, July 7, 1837.....	physician.....	2
Fletcher, Lorenzo Blaisdell.....	meth.....u.....	Cambridge, Dec. 17, 1807.....	farmer.....	2
Franklin, William C. Robie.....	meth.....u.....	Fairfield, Dec. 15, 1823.....	farmer.....	2
Georgia, Abel Bliss.....	hap.....u.....	Georgia, June 29, 1814.....	farmer.....	1
Hightgate, Melvin Church.....	cong.....u.....	Jericho, Jan. 4, 1816.....	farmer.....	1
Montgomery, L. W. Martin.....	cong.....u.....	Montgomery, Dec. 11, 1820.....	merchant.....	1
Richford, William Corlies.....	meth.....u.....	Richford, Nov. 7, 1810.....	farmer.....	1
Sheldon, Nathaniel G. Martin.....	epis.....op.....	Sheldon, Feb. 4, 1814.....	farmer.....	1
St. Albans, Charles Wyman.....	cong.....u.....	Chelsea, Feb. 18, 1826.....	jeweler.....	1
Swanton, Henry A. Burt.....	cong.....u.....	Sheldon, Feb. 19, 1828.....	attorney.....	2

GRAND ISLE COUNTY.

Alburgh, David Marvin.....	meth.....u.....	Alburgh, Dec. 20, 1813.....	clergyman.....	3
Grand Isle, William C. Irish.....	cong.....u.....	Shelburne, Dec. 30, 1816.....	farmer.....	1
Isle La Motte, Elisha R. Goocell.....	univ.....u.....	Isle La Motte, Sept. 3, 1837.....	county clerk...	2
North Hero, Dexter B. Town.....	meth.....u.....	North Hero, Nov. 10, 1830.....	farmer.....	1
South Hero, Warren Corbin.....	rest.....op.....	Grand Isle, May 16, 1823.....	farmer.....	2

LAMOILLE COUNTY.

Belvidere, Thomas Potter.....	free th.....u.....	Waterville, Feb. 1, 1817.....	mechanic.....	2
Cambridge, Edwin Wheelock.....	cong.....u.....	Cambridge, Nov. 17, 1822.....	clergyman.....	1
Eden, Horace Waite.....	meth.....u.....	Fairfield, May 16, 1826.....	farmer.....	1
Elmore, Adolphus M. Kelley.....	meth.....u.....	Pembroke, N. H., Sept. 24, 1821.....	farmer.....	2
Hydepark, Waldo Brigham.....	no pf.....op.....	Bakersfield, June 10, 1830.....	attorney.....	1
Johnson, Robert C. Crisley.....	cong.....u.....	New Boston, N. H., April 24, 1828.....	farmer.....	1
Morristown, Orlo Cady.....	univ.....u.....	Stowe, Dec. 17, 1822.....	manufacturer..	1

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Stowe, S. K. Weeks	cong. u.	Whelock, Dec. 19, 1821	1
Waterville, Daniel P. Bragg	meth. u.	Warren, Aug. 11, 1824	1
Wolcott, Richard F. Parker	univ. u.	Lyman, N. H., Oct. 24, 1826	attorney	2

ORANGE COUNTY.

Bradford, Barron Hay	.....	cong. op.	Bradford, Sept. 26, 1828	clerk	1
Braintree, J. P. Cleveland, Jr.	.....	no pf. u.	Bethel, Sept. 21, 1828	farmer	1
Brookfield, John R. Cleaveland	.....	no pf. u.	Lebanon, N. H., May 6, 1820	judge probate	2
Chelsea, Carlos Moore	.....	cong. u.	Chelsea, Feb. 6, 1814	farmer	1
Corinth, Arad S. Corlies	.....	no pf. u.	Bradford, Feb. 12, 1823	farmer	2
Farlee, Charles H. Mann	.....	meth. u.	Claremont, N. H., April 28, 1806	farmer	1
Newbury, William W. Brock	.....	cong. u.	Newbury, June 7, 1819	farmer	2
Orange, Edwin G. Peake	.....	bap. u.	Orange, May 6, 1827	farmer	1
Randolph, Sylvanus B. Carpenter	.....	no pf. u.	Randolph, June 16, 1828	farmer	2
Strafford, Alanson G. Smith	.....	univ. u.	Strafford, March 29, 1814	farmer	1
Thetford, L. Tenney	.....	cong. u.	Groton, N. H., Aug. 5, 1814	clergymen	1
Topsam, Newton Morgan	.....	univ. u.	Andover, Aug. 4, 1823	manufacturer	1
Tunbridge, Azro B. Drew	.....	bap. u.	Tunbridge, Aug. 1823	farmer	1
Vershire, William Sanborn	.....	bap. op.	Sanborn, N. H., Jan. 12, 1807	farmer	2
Washington, Lyman P. Barron	.....	univ. u.	Washington, Nov. 27, 1820	farmer	1
West Farlee, Benjamin Niles	.....	cong. op.	West Farlee, May 12, 1819	farmer	1
Williamstown, John M. Palmer	.....	cong. u.	Williamstown, Jan. 19, 1819	farmer	1

ORLEANS COUNTY.

Albany, Dyer Bill	.....	cong. u.	Hartford, April 7, 1793	physician	3
Barton, Myron W. Joslyn	.....	cong. u.	Waitsfield, March 25, 1834	druggist	1
Brownington, Isaac S. Seavy	.....	meth. u.	Brownington, March 29, 1827	farmer	1
Charleston, Edson Lyon	.....	univ. u.	Troy, Feb. 14, 1812	farmer	1
Conventry, Loren Soper	.....	cong. u.	Waterford, Oct. 15, 1821	merchant	1
Craftsbury, Moses Root	.....	cong. u.	Montague, Mass., March 25, 1821	farmer	2
Derby, Elisha Lane	.....	cong. u.	Newport, Dec. 26, 1835	merchant	1

Glover, F. P. Cheney.....	meth.....u.....	Barton, July 11, 1828.....	farmer.....	1
Greensboro, H. S. Tolman.....	cong.....u.....	Greensboro, Sept. 1, 1825.....	farmer.....	1
Holland, George H. Green.....	meth.....op.....	Danville, May 18, 1820.....	farmer.....	1
Irasburgh, Henry Somers.....	cong.....u.....	Starksboro, Jan. 29, 1818.....	farmer.....	2
Jay, M. S. Chamberlin.....	bap.....u.....	Troy, October 29, 1825.....	farmer.....	2
Lowell, Don B. Curtis.....	cong.....u.....	Lowell, May 17, 1823.....	farmer.....	2
Morgan, Byram Bartlett.....	meth.....u.....	Morgan, Sept. 22, 1808.....	farmer.....	2
Newport, Benjamin R. McClary.....	univ.....u.....	Groton, Dec. 29, 1833.....	merchant.....	2
Salem, David N. Gibb.....	meth.....u.....	Danville, May 24, 1806.....	farmer.....	1
Troy, Edward Bickford.....	cong.....u.....	Fairfield, March 13, 1831.....	stove dealer.....	2
Westfield, none.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Westmore, Isaac D. Bemis.....	no pf.....u.....	Lyndon, Sept. 13, 1841.....	hotel clerk.....	2

RUTLAND COUNTY.

Benson, L. H. Kellogg.....	meth.....u.....	Benson, July 23, 1833.....	farmer.....	1
Brandon, Volney Ross.....	cong.....u.....	Shrewsbury, June 12, 1814.....	merchant.....	2
Castleton, Richard M. Phillips.....	free th.....u.....	Ticonderoga, N. Y., Jan. 17, 1820.....	merchant.....	2
Chittenden, Hiram Baird.....	no pf.....u.....	Chittenden, Nov. 19, 1804.....	farmer.....	1
Clarendon, Porter Benson.....	cong.....u.....	Clarendon, Sept. 22, 1833.....	farmer.....	1
Danby, J. E. Nichols.....	quaker u.....	Danby, Oct. 20, 1829.....	farmer.....	1
Fairhaven, Joel W. Hamilton.....	cong.....u.....	Fairhaven, Jan. 10, 1835.....	farmer.....	2
Hubbardton, Daniel Holmes.....	cong.....u.....	Hubbardton, March 7, 1837.....	farmer.....	2
Ira, Leonard F. Mason.....	bap.....u.....	Ira, Aug. 25, 1837.....	farmer.....	2
Mendon, John E. Johnson.....	meth.....u.....	Plymouth, Jan. 20, 1831.....	farmer.....	2
Middletown, Albert W. Gray.....	no pf.....u.....	Dorset, Sept. 30, 1810.....	manufacturer.....	1
Mt. Holly, Warren Horton.....	bap.....u.....	Mt. Holly, Nov. 25, 1818.....	manufacturer.....	1
Mt. Tabor, Charles T. Griffith.....	no pf.....u.....	Mt. Tabor, May 7, 1826.....	farmer.....	3
Pawlet, Lucius M. Carpenter.....	meth.....u.....	Kirby, Feb. 1, 1821.....	farmer.....	2
Pittsfield, Henry O. Gibbs.....	cong.....u.....	Jericho, March 8, 1819.....	farmer.....	2
Pittsford, Asa Nourse.....	cong.....u.....	Troy, N. H., May 11, 1801.....	farmer.....	1
Poultney, Merritt Clark.....u.....	Middletown, Feb. 11, 1803.....	banker.....	7

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Rutland, John Prout	Salisbury, Nov. 22, 1816.	attorney	4
Sherburne, Daniel W. Taylor	Plymouth, June 18, 1823.	farmer	4
Shrewsbury, Tyler G. Foster	Mt. Holly, Sept. 7, 1811.	merchant	2
Sudbury, O. H. P. Ketcham	Sudbury, April 8, 1822.	farmer	2
Timmouth, Abraham Noble	Timmouth, July 24, 1816.	farmer	1
Wallingford, Samuel E. Rogers	Danby, Sept. 21, 1828.	farmer	1
Wells, M. D. Grover	Wells, June 18, 1841.	attorney	1
West Haven, S. W. Tryon	West Haven, May 20, 1798.	farmer	1

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Barre, George W. Tilden	.....	univ.	Barre, May 22, 1833.	manufacturer	2
Berlin, E. E. Andrews	.....	.....	Berlin, June 17, 1823.	farmer	2
Cabot, Valorous W. Hale	.....	.....	Barre, Jan. 16, 1807.	farmer	1
Calais, Sidney H. Foster	.....	univ.	Calais, March 29, 1828.	farmer	1
Duxbury, Luther Graves	.....	.....	Greenfield, Mass., Sept. 21, 1812.	farmer	2
East Montpelier, P. M. Shepard	.....	.....	Plainfield, June 16, 1809.	farmer	2
Fayston, Chester S. Dana	.....	meth.	Waitfield, April 24, 1829.	farmer	2
Marshfield, William Martin, Jr.	.....	.....	Marshfield, Dec. 21, 1814.	farmer	2
Middlesex, R. W. Warren	.....	.....	Middlesex, Sept. 25, 1833.	farmer	2
Montpelier, Joel Foster, Jr.	.....	.....	Fayston, June 27, 1825.	merchant	2
Moretown, Hiram Hathaway	.....	meth.	Calais, July 28, 1811.	farmer	2
Northfield, Edwin K. Jones	.....	lib.	Randolph, June 4, 1828.	merchant	1
Plainfield, Levi Bartlett	.....	meth.	Hanover, N. H., Nov. 5, 1800.	farmer	1
Roxbury, Anstin A. Smith	.....	no pf.	Brookfield, Aug. 10, 1832.	farmer	1
Waitfield, Ira Richardson	.....	meth.	Waitfield, Oct. 6, 1816.	farmer	2
Warren, Edwin Cardell	.....	no pf.	Warren, Jan. 17, 1834.	farmer	2
Waterbury, William Wells	.....	.....	Waterbury, Dec. 14, 1837.	merchant	2
Woodbury, R. B. Bruce	.....	univ.	Woodbury, Dec. 24, 1821.	farmer	1
Worcester, Mark P. Ladd	.....	meth.	Strafford, Aug. 13, 1817.	farmer	1

WINDHAM COUNTY.

Athens, Samuel B. Wells.....	no pf.	u.	Athens, April 10, 1820.....	farmer.....	3
Brattleboro, S. N. Herrick.....	cong.	u.	Brattleboro, Sept. 20, 1809.....	deputy sheriff..	1
Brooklin, Oscar C. Merrifield.....	bap.	u.	Newfane, July 15, 1835.....	farmer.....	2
Dover, Edwin F. Sherman.....	bap.	u.	Dover, March 10, 1821.....	farmer.....	2
Dunmerston, George W. Walker.....	cong.	u.	Dunmerston, Sept. 25, 1822.....	manufacturer..	2
Grafton, John L. Butterfield.....	no pf.	u.	Grafton, Aug. 23, 1820.....	soapstone d'ler	4
Guilford, Stephen Smith.....	univ.	u.	Guilford, May 1, 1812.....	hotel keeper... 3	
Halifax, Albert J. Tucker.....	bap.	u.	Halifax, May 10, 1824.....	farmer.....	2
Jamaica, Abijah Muzzy.....	bap.	u.	Jamaica, May 30, 1819.....	merchant.....	2
Londonderry, Daniel Davis.....	univ.	u.	Londonderry, Jan. 8, 1819.....	farmer.....	2
Marlboro, N. R. Whitney.....	cong.	u.	Marlboro, March 18, 1821.....	farmer.....	2
Newfane, Hollis T. Robinson.....	cong.	u.	Newfane, Aug. 25, 1803.....	produce dealer..	2
Putney, David R. Cobb.....	univ.	u.	Putney, May 30, 1810.....	farmer.....	2
Rockingham, William H. Johnson.....	epis.	u.	Walpole, N. H., July 12, 1831.....	merchant.....	1
Somerset, Sumner Curtis.....	meth.	u.	Orange, Mass., Sept. 14, 1809.....	farmer.....	2
Stratton, Joseph Tripp.....	bap.	u.	Warrensburg, N. Y., Feb. 25, 1821.....	clergyman.....	1
Townshend, John H. Converse.....	no pf.	u.	Wardsboro, Feb. 12, 1822.....	farmer.....	2
Vernon, Wilder H. Fairman.....	no pf.	u.	Northfield, Mass., April 21, 1817.....	farmer.....	1
Wardsboro, N. B. Johnson, (not in attendance.).....	cong.	u.	Westminster, Feb. 4, 1825.....	merchant.....	2
Westminster, R. S. Safford.....	bap.	u.	Philipstown, Mass., July 28, 1796.....	clergyman.....	2
Whitingham, Amherst Lamb.....	cong.	u.	Marlboro, Dec. 22, 1812.....	farmer.....	2
Wilmington, Henry Whitney.....	cong.	u.	Newburgh, Ohio, Jan. 3, 1819.....	merchant.....	7
Windham, William Harris, Jr.....	cong.	u.			

WINDSOR COUNTY.

Andover, Horace Burton.....	no pf.	u.	Andover, March 26, 1809.....	farmer.....	1
Baltimore, Chas. A. Leland.....	no pf.	u.	Baltimore, Nov. 15, 1832.....	farmer.....	1
Barnard, none.....					
Bethel, J. M. McIntosh.....	prot.	u.	Bethel, Dec. 8, 1825.....	farmer.....	1

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Bridgewater, Charles N. Wood	no pf.	u.	Plymouth, June 15, 1834.	farmer.	2
Cavendish, Josiah Gilson.	univ.	u.	Rindge, N. H., Dec. 22, 1793.	ret'd from bus.	4
Chester, William Rounds.	lib.	u.	Chester, July 13, 1825.	attorney.	6
Hartford, William G. Chandler.	bap.	u.	Hanover, N. H., Nov. 16, 1817.	farmer.	2
Hartland, Lewis Emmons.	no pf.	u.	Woodstock, May 22, 1804.	physician.	1
Ludlow, William H. Walker.	epis.	u.	Windham, Feb. 2, 1833.	attorney.	2
Norwich, Joseph T. Loveland.	cong.	u.	Norwich, April 5, 1818.	farmer.	3
Plymouth, Alpheus N. Earle.	chris.	u.	Plymouth, April 13, 1816.	farmer.	2
Pomfret, Ora Paul.	chris.	u.	Pomfret, June 25, 1836.	farmer.	2
Reading, Sumner Fletcher.	no pf.	u.	Plymouth, June 25, 1812.	farmer.	2
Rochester, Chester Pierce.	unita.	u.	Royalton, Jan. 2, 1829.	merchant.	2
Royalton, Martin T. Skinner.	cong.	u.	Royalton, March 9, 1821.	farmer.	2
Sharon, Guy S. Nott.	cong.	u.	Barnard, Nov. 4, 1823.	farmer.	1
Springfield, Franklin P. Ball.	meth.	u.	Athens, May 2, 1828.	farmer.	1
Stockbridge, T. S. Hubbard.	cong.	u.	Franklin, Dec. 20, 1811.	manufacturer.	5
Weathersfield, Henry H. Spafford.	no pf.	u.	Franklin, May 19, 1813.	clergyman.	1
Weston, Simeon D. Spaulding.	cong.	u.	Weathersfield, May, 19, 1816.	farmer.	1
West Windsor, G. H. Suedd.	univ.	u.	Weston, Feb. 19, 1816.	farmer.	3
Windsor, Luther C. White.	cong.	u.	West Windsor, Sept. 24, 1804.	merchant.	3
Woodstock, Charles Marsh.	cong.	u.	Windsor, May 15, 1822.	manufacturer.	1
			Woodstock, May 10, 1821.	farmer.	1
<i>Officers of the House.</i>					
John Barden, Wells, Door-Keeper.			<i>When and where born.</i>	<i>Occupation.</i>	<i>Term.</i>
George C. Robbins, Ludlow, Assistant Door-Keeper.			Savoy, Mass., Jan. 14, 1807.	farmer.	4
Leland L. Harrington, St. Johnsbury, Messenger.			Windham, Sept. 14, 1847.	college student	1
Charles H. Lane, Cornwall, Messenger.			St. Johnsbury, March 9, 1848.	musician.	2
Ervin E. Webster, Guilford, Messenger.			Cornwall, Jan. 14, 1853.	student.	2
Fred W. Wilder, Rupert, Messenger.			Hartland, Feb. 13, 1852.	student.	1
			New Ipswich, N. H., April 24, 1852.	student.	1

RECAPITULATION OF THE HOUSE.

Occupation.—Farmers 147 ; Merchants 22 ; Attorneys 13 ; Manufacturers 12 ; Clergymen 9 ; Physicians 6 ; Clerks 3 ; Students 3 ; Mechanics 2 ; Law Students 2 ; Produce Dealers 2 ; County Clerks 2 ; Shoemaker 1 ; Jeweler 1 ; Banker 1 ; Judge

of Probate 1; Hotel Clerk 1; Contractor 1; Musician 1; Drover 1; College Student 1; Soapstone Dealer 1; Engineer 1; Collector 1; Deputy Sheriff 1; Blacksmith 1; Agent Manufacturing Company 1; Stove Dealer 1; Station Agent 1; Harness Maker 1; Lumberman 1; Druggist 1; Hotel Keeper 1; Retired Merchant 1; Retired from business 1.

Religious Preferences.—Congregationalists 69; Methodists 39; No Preference 38; Baptists 30; Universalists 21; Episcopalians 7; Unitarians 5; Covenanters 3; Free Thinkers 3; Restorationists 2; Spiritualists 2; Liberals 2; Presbyterians; Protestant 1; Orthodox 1; Advent 1; Quaker 1.

Nativities.—Vermont 209; New Hampshire 15; Massachusetts 9; New York 5; England 2; Connecticut 1; Maine 1; Ohio 1; Canada 1.

Oldest Members.—Dyer Bill, 73 years; Josiah Gilson, 73 years.

Youngest Member.—Isaac D. Bemis, 25 years.

Union, 224. Opposition, 13.

STATE OF VERMONT.

BY PAUL DILLINGHAM, GOVERNOR.

A PROCLAMATION.

"LET THE PEOPLE PRAISE THEE, O GOD; LET ALL THE PEOPLE PRAISE THEE."

This inspired exhortation addresses itself to us with peculiar force at the close of a year in which we have shared so largely in the blessings of Divine Providence. I do therefore appoint THURSDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, INSTANT, as a day of public THANKSGIVING, PRAYER AND PRAISE TO ALMIGHTY GOD. And I do earnestly recommend to the people of this State that they assemble on that day in their accustomed places of worship, and there render to our Heavenly Father the praise of grateful hearts for all His mercies.

Let us remember that the year now closing has been an eventful one in the world's history, and though the greatest of its events have transpired on another continent, yet there, Christian civilization and true progress have received no check, but have the rather gained strength for new advancement and future conquests.

At home, great and manifold mercies have been conferred upon us.

It has pleased God to turn aside from us the dreaded pestilence, and in its place to bestow upon us a season of unusual health.

He has inspired in the hearts of the people generally, the spirit of Christian benevolence and liberality, manifesting itself in aid given to morality, education and religion. Not forgetting the poor at home, it has extended to the emancipated race in our country—deserving as they are needy—such aid as corresponds with a charity that not only hopeth, but doeth, all things.

Let us remember with unfeigned gratitude that the year has been a fruitful one; that a rich harvest has crowned the toils of the husbandman; that labor of all kinds has received a fitting reward; and that we have been permitted to live in the midst of peaceful communities and happy homes.

With our praise let us mingle our humble supplications that God will continue to bestow upon us every needed good; and especially that He will give us that wisdom and grace which shall enable us to discharge life's duties well, and finally raise us from earth to Heaven.

Given under my hand and the seal of the State, in Executive Chamber at Montpelier, this twelfth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-first.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

By his Excellency, the Governor,
CHARLES M. GAY, *Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs.*

STATE OF VERMONT.

BY PAUL DILLINGHAM, GOVERNOR.

A PROCLAMATION.

In accordance with immemorial custom, and with a profound sense of its appropriateness, I do hereby appoint FRIDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF APRIL NEXT to be observed as a day of HUMILIATION, FASTING AND PRAYER, by all the people of this State. And I most earnestly invite them on that day to abstain from their usual employments; to assemble in their accustomed places of public worship, and there earnestly engage in services suitable to the occasion.

Heartily confessing our sins, as individuals and as a people, to Almighty God, and humbly seeking their forgiveness, let us earnestly pray that he will inspire in all our hearts lively gratitude for all His mercies, past and present.

Let us implore Him for all in authority, that they may have wisdom, love, justice—know the right, and knowing, dare maintain it.

That He will, throughout all our land, quench the spirit of strife, restore, where needed, and perpetuate in all, a lasting love for our Union.

That He will beget in all hearts a true hungering after righteousness, and for every virtue that exalts a people.

That He will mercifully regard the people of this State, in all their interests, both temporal and spiritual, teaching us, while temperance, industry and frugality are necessary to material success, that truth, forbearance and charity are no less so, to religious prosperity.

That He will bestow special blessings on all our institutions of learning; that He will grant prosperity to our churches, bounty and plenty to our people, and a cheering reward to all lawful industry;

And that He will graciously preserve us from pestilence, give us health, and an undying love for true liberty, equal laws, and an undefiled religion.

Given under my hand and the seal of this State, in Executive Chamber at Montpelier, this twenty-seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-first.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

By his Excellency the Governor,

WILLIAM P. DILLINGHAM, Sec'y of Civil and Military Affairs.

JOURNAL
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OF THE
STATE OF VERMONT.

SPECIAL SESSION,
1867.

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Agreeably to the Proclamation of his Excellency, the Governor, the House of Representatives of the State of Vermont convened in the Representatives' Hall of the State House, in Montpelier, on the twenty-seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

At ten o'clock in the forenoon, JOHN W. STEWART, Speaker, having called the House to order,

Prayer was offered by the Rev. N. P. FOSTER, Chaplain.

The proclamation of the Governor was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT.

BY THE GOVERNOR.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, It has been made to appear by petitions and representations from the people of the South-western part of this State, addressed to me, that the Troy and Boston Railroad, a corporation existing under the laws of the state of New York, has, since the sixteenth of January, 1867, without just cause, refused to connect for the transportation of passengers and freight, in any way, with the Rutland and Bennington (formerly the Western Vermont) Railroad ; and it has been made further to appear that this refusal has deprived the inhabitants of that part of the State of direct railroad communication with the south and west, to the great damage of their large manufacturing, commercial and agricultural interests ; and it has been made further to appear that the people of that portion of the State desire some immediate legislation, which is necessary to enable them to take such action, by building a new railroad, as will give them, within

one year; direct railroad communication south and west; and it has been made further to appear that, if obliged to wait for this legislation until the annual session of the General Assembly, the building of the proposed railroad will be deferred at least one year, and the interests, already severely suffering, will receive great and, in some cases, irreparable injury, while the legislation desired would much lessen, if not wholly avert, the threatened ruin of large and valuable manufacturing industries; and it has been made further to appear that railroad and business interests in other parts of the State would be greatly benefited by legislation at this time; and

WHEREAS, These representations are sufficient, in my judgment, to make it my official duty to convoke the General Assembly in special session;

Now, therefore, I, PAUL DILLINGHAM, Governor of Vermont, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution, do issue this my proclamation, convening the General Assembly in special session. And I do hereby summon the members of the Senate and House of Representatives, to meet in their respective Chambers at Montpelier, together with the officers of the two Houses, on Wednesday, the 27th day of March, A. D. 1867, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of such legislative action as they may think proper.

Given under my hand and the seal of this State, in Executive Chamber, at Montpelier, this fourteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-first.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

By the Governor,

WILLIAM P. DILLINGHAM,

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs.

The Speaker directed the calling of the roll, and the following named members were present and answered to their names, to wit:

ADDISON COUNTY.

Bridport	SHELDON SMITH,
Cornwall	HENRY LANE,
Ferrisburgh	DAVID SMITH,
Goshen	SHUBEL R. STICKNEY,
Granville	JOSEPH P. BALL,

Hancock	ROBERT CLAFLIN,
Leicester	GEORGE O. SWININGTON,
Lincoln	ELIHU PURINTON,
Middlebury	JOHN W. STEWART,
Monkton	JOSEPH CARTER,
New Haven	WARD BULLARD,
Orwell	JULIUS C. THOMAS,
Panton	HENRY ALLEN,
Ripton	NATHANIEL McQUIVEY,
Salisbury	WILLIAM DEMING,
Shoreham	ROLLIN BIRCHARD,
Vergennes	BENJAMIN F. GOSS,
Waltham	ELIJAH F. BENTON,
Weybridge	FRANCIS AYERS,
Whiting	ALBERT HUBBARD.

BENNINGTON COUNTY.

Arlington	HENRY S. HARD,
Bennington	TRENOR W. PARK,
Dorset	A. B. ARMSTRONG,
Glastenbury	GEORGE EDDY,
Landgrove	WARREN W. WILEY,
Manchester	AHIMAN L. MINER,
Peru	OLIVER P. SIMONDS,
Pownal	BLACKMAN N. FOSTER,
Readsboro	
Rupert	GEORGE HOPKINS,
Sandgate	WALTER B. RANDALL,
Searsburgh	
Shaftsbury	MYRON BARTON,
Stamford	SILAS W. WEBSTER,
Sunderland	PAUL SHUFFLETON,
Winhall	JOHN M. COLEMAN,
Woodford	

CALEDONIA COUNTY.

Barnet	WILLIAM STUART,
Burke	HAILEY R. BROWN,
Danville	BENJAMIN GREENBANK,
Groton	
Hardwick	HENRY A. SHEDD,
Kirby	CHARLES H. GRAVES,
Lyndon	
Newark	MOULTON A. TAFT,
Peacham	HARVEY SANBORN,
Ryegate	JOHN F. NELSON,
Sheffield	SEWALL BRADLEY,
St. Johnsbury	JONATHAN ROSS,
Sutton	WILLIAM F. RUGGLES,
Walden	HARVEY FOSTER,
Waterford	LUCIUS S. FREEMAN,
Wheelock	ELIJAH WILLARD.

CHITTENDEN COUNTY.

Bolton.....	EDWIN R. MORSE,
Burlington	
Charlotte	
Colchester.....	SIDNEY H. WESTON,
Essex	WILLIAM B. WESTON,
Hinesburgh.....	
Huntington	LEONARD C. SNYDER,
Jericho.....	
Milton	HENRY H. WOODS,
Richmond.....	UZZIEL S. WHITCOMB,
Shelburne.....	ROBERT J. WHITE,
South Burlington.....	ASA R. SLOCUM,
St. George.....	GEORGE K. HINS DILL,
Underhill	GEORGE W. ROBERTS,
Westford	JAMES H. RICHARDSON,
Williston.....	ALVIN C. WELCH.

ESSEX COUNTY.

Bloomfield	MOSES PATTEE,
Brighton.....	ROBERT P. NOYES,
Brunswick	CHAUNCEY H. FITTS,
Canaan	HIRAM P. COOPER,
Concord	HARVEY JUDEVINE,
East Haven.....	ABRAHAM S. HOWARD,
Lemington.....	DAVID H. COOK,
Lunenburg.....	ROSWELL BOWKER,
Maidstone	NELSON S. STEVENS,
Victory.....	GEORGE A. APPLETON.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Berkshire.....	JAMES R. STONE,
Enosburgh.....	HAZEN B. LADD,
Fairfax	
Fairfield	JOSIAH O. CRAMTON,
Fletcher	LORENZO BLAISDELL,
Franklin	WILLIAM C. ROBIE,
Georgia	ABEL BLISS,
Highgate.....	MELVIN CHURCH,
Montgomery.....	LUTHER W. MARTIN,
Richford.....	WILLIAM CORLISS,
Sheldon.....	NATHANIEL G. MARTIN,
St. Albans.....	CHARLES WYMAN,
Swanton	HENRY A. BURT.

GRAND ISLE COUNTY.

Alburgh.....	DAVID MARTIN,
Grand Isle.....	WILLIAM C. IRISH,
Isle LaMotte.....	ELISHA R. GOODSSELL,
North Hero.....	DEXTER B. TOWN,
South Hero.....	WARREN CORBIN.

LAMOILLE COUNTY.

Belvidere	THOMAS POTTER,
Cambridge	EDWIN WHEELOCK,
Eden	HORACE WAIT,
Hydepark	WALDO BRIGHAM,
Johnson	ROBERT C. CRISTY,
Morristown	ORLO CADY,
Stowe	SALMON K. WEEKS,
Waterville	DANIEL P. BRAGG,
Wolcott	RICHARD F. PARKER.

ORANGE COUNTY.

Bradford	BARRON HAY,
Brookfield	JOHN R. CLEAVELAND,
Chelsea	CARLOS MOORE,
Corinth	ARAD S. CORLISS,
Fairlee	CHARLES H. MANN,
Newbury	WILLIAM W. BROCK,
Orange	EDWIN G. PEAKE,
Randolph	S. B. CARPENTER,
Strafford	ALANSON G. SMITH,
Thetford	LEONARD TENNEY,
Topsham	NEWTON MORGAN,
Tunbridge	AZRO B. DREW,
Vershire	WILLIAM SANBORN,
Washington	LYMAN P. BARRON,
West Fairlee	BENJAMIN NILES,
Williamstown	JOHN M. PALMER.

ORLEANS COUNTY.

Albany	DIAR BILL,
Barton	MYRON W. JOSLYN,
Brownington	ISAAC S. SEAVY,
Charleston	EDSON LYON,
Coventry	LOREN SOPER,
Derby	ELISHA LANE,
Glover	FREDERICK P. CHENEY,
Holland	GEORGE H. GREEN,
Irasburgh	HENRY SOMERS,
Jay	
Lowell	DON B. CURTIS,
Morgan	BYRAM BARTLETT,
Newport	BENJAMIN R. MCCLARY,
Salem	DAVID N. GIBB,
Troy	EDWARD BICKFORD,
Westfield	
Westmore	ISAAC D. BEMIS.

RUTLAND COUNTY.

Benson	L. HOWARD KELLOGG,
Brandon	VOLNEY ROSS,
Castleton	RICHARD M. PHILLIPS,

Chittenden.....	HIRAM BAIRD,
Clarendon.....	PORTER BENSON,
Danby.....	JAMES E. NICHOLS,
Fairhaven.....	JOEL W. HAMILTON,
Hubbardton.....	DANIEL HOLMES,
Ira.....	LEONARD F. MASON,
Mendon.....	JOHN E. JOHNSON,
Middletown.....	ALBERT W. GRAY,
Mount Holly.....	WARREN HORTON,
Mount Tabor.....	CHARLES T. GRIFFITH,
Pawlet.....	LUCIUS M. CARPENTER,
Pittsfield.....	HENRY O. GIBBS,
Pittsford.....	ASA NOURSE,
Poultney.....	MERRITT CLARK,
Rutland.....	JOHN PROUT,
Sherburne.....	DANIEL W. TAYLOR,
Shrewsbury.....	TYLER G. FOSTER,
Sudbury.....	OLIVER H. P. KETCHAM,
Tinmouth.....	ABSALOM NOBLE,
Wallingford.....	SAMUEL E. ROGERS,
Wells.....	MARCUS D. GROVER,
West Haven.....	SAMUEL W. TRYON.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Barre.....	GEORGE W. TILDEN,
Berlin.....	EDMUND E. ANDREWS,
Cabot.....	VALORUS W. HALE,
Duxbury.....	LUTHER GRAVES,
East Montpelier.....	PRENTISS M. SHEPARD,
Fayston.....	CHESTER S. DANA,
Marshfield.....	WILLIAM MARTIN, JR.,
Middlesex.....	RUFUS W. WARREN,
Montpelier.....	JOEL FOSTER, JR.,
Moretown.....	
Northfield.....	EDWIN K. JONES,
Plainfield.....	LEVI BARTLETT,
Roxbury.....	AUSTIN A. SMITH,
Warren.....	EDWIN CARDELL,
Waterbury.....	WILLIAM WELLS.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

Brattleboro.....	SETH N. HERRICK,
Brookline.....	OSCAR C. MERRIFIELD,
Dover.....	EDWIN F. SHERMAN,
Dummerston.....	GEORGE W. WALKER,
Grafton.....	JOHN S. BUTTERFIELD,
Guilford.....	STEPHEN SMITH,
Jamaica.....	ABIJAH MUZZY,
Londonderry.....	DANIEL DAVIS,
Marlboro.....	NATHANIEL R. WHITNEY.
Newfane.....	HOLLIS T. ROBINSON,
Putney.....	DAVID R. COBB,
Somerset.....	SUMNER CURTIS,
Stratton.....	

Townshend.....	JOHN H. CONVERSE,
Vernon.....	WILDER H. FAIRMAN,
Westminster.....	
Whitingham.....	AMHERST LAMB,
Wilmington.....	HENRY WHITNEY,
Windham... ..	WILLIAM HARRIS, JR.

WINDSOR COUNTY.

Andover.....	HORACE BURTON,
Baltimore.....	CHARLES A. LELAND,
Barnard.....	
Cavendish.....	JOSIAH GILSON,
Chester.....	WILLIAM ROUNDS,
Hartford.....	WILLIAM G. CHANDLER,
Hartland.....	LEWIS EMMONS,
Ludlow.....	WILLIAM H. WALKER,
Norwich.....	JOSEPH T. LOVELAND,
Pomfret.....	ORA PAUL,
Rochester.....	CHESTER PIERCE,
Royalton.....	MARTIN T. SKINNER,
Sharon.....	GUY S. NOTT,
Springfield.....	FRANKLIN P. BALL,
Stockbridge.....	THOMAS S. HUBBARD,
Weathersfield.....	HENRY H. SPAFFORD,
Weston.....	SIMEON D. SPAULDING,
West Windsor.....	
Woodstock.....	CHARLES MARSH.

Nathaniel B. Johnson presented his credentials as the representative of the town of Wardsboro, and Charles H. Graves presented his credentials as the representative of the town of Kirby. Whereupon they severally took and subscribed to the oaths prescribed by the Constitution, and were admitted to their seats in the House.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,
Executive Chamber, Montpelier, March 27, 1867. }

HON. J. W. STEWART,

Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR: I have the honor to inform the House that on the 4th day of March, instant, the office of Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs became vacant by the resignation of Charles M. Gay, Esq., who had removed from the State. I have filled the vacancy thus occasioned by appointing William P. Dillingham Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, for the residue of the current year.

PAUL DILLINGHAM, Governor.

Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be directed to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House of Representatives have assembled, and are ready, on their part, to proceed with the business of the session :

Which was read and adopted.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that a quorum of the Senate have now assembled, and that the Senate are now ready to proceed with the business of the session.

Mr. Rounds offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the rules of this House, adopted last session, and the standing committees of last session, be adopted as the rules and standing committees of the present session ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Birchard offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be directed to notify his Excellency, the Governor, that a quorum of the House of Representatives have assembled, and that the House are now ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make ;

Which was read and adopted.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Dillingham, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to transmit to the House of Representatives a special message to the General Assembly.

The message of the Governor was read by the Clerk, and is as follows ;

*Gentlemen of the Senate
and House of Representatives :*

Upon representations made to me of the suffering condition in which the important business interests of the south-western portion of this State had been suddenly and unexpectedly placed, by hostile acts of certain railroad corporations of an adjoining state, and which appeared to me to demand immediate legislative relief, I have felt constrained to call you together at this time, in extra session.

I deem it my duty to make to you a brief statement of facts in relation thereto, as they have been represented to me, and on the correctness of which I have reason to rely.

It appears that connected with the Rutland and Burlington Railroad at Rutland there have been for a series of years, three railroad routes to Troy, in the state of New York, forming connections there with other railroads leading South and West; that these railroads have been, to a considerable extent, rival roads, competing with each other for the freights and travel which enter upon and pass over these from other railroads, termed *through business*, and that each of said roads depends mainly upon such through business for its support and successful operation. One of these roads, which was chartered by the name of the Western Vermont Railroad, and is now the Bennington and Rutland road, runs southerly from Rutland through the counties of Rutland and Bennington, to the west line of the state, near North Bennington, a distance of fifty-four miles, its track being thence continued by that of another railroad in the state of New York, about thirty-one miles further to Troy, the latter road being under the management of the Troy and Boston Railroad Company. There is also a branch of the Bennington and Rutland road, to Bennington, five miles in length.

Another of the rival roads, called the Rutland and Washington Railroad, runs westerly from Rutland by way of Castleton and Salem to Eagle Bridge, where it connects with the Troy and Boston Railroad, the latter road extending from thence to Troy.

The third rival road known as the Rensselaer and Saratoga road, uses the track of the last mentioned road from Rutland to Castleton, a distance of eleven miles, and from thence it runs by way of Whitehall and Saratoga Springs to Troy. This road is twelve miles longer than either of the other two, and does not seem to be the natural route for either travel or freight between Rutland and Troy.

The Rutland and Washington Railroad had been a competing line with the Rensselaer and Saratoga road for through business until about two years ago, when it is understood that the company owning the latter road made a purchase of the former, since which time their rivalry has ceased, and they have both been under the direction and management, within this State as well as out of it, of the Rensselaer and

Saratoga Railroad Company, a corporation existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of New York.

The Western Vermont, now the Bennington and Rutland Railroad, was put in operation in the year 1852, and for ten years, ending the 16th of January last, had been leased to the Troy and Boston Railroad Company, and during that period had been operated by them in connection with their road from the state line to Troy, before mentioned.

The Western Vermont road had always been a rival road to the Rutland and Washington and the Rensselaer and Saratoga roads, until the month of February, 1866, when a written contract was entered into, to continue in force for ten years, between the Rensselaer and Saratoga Company and the Troy and Boston Company, by which it was agreed that no through business of any kind should be allowed to pass over the Bennington and Rutland road; the Troy and Boston Company binding itself not to deliver to or receive any through freights from said Bennington and Rutland road, and in order that passengers might be effectually prevented from traveling over the Bennington and Rutland road, it was further stipulated by the Troy and Boston Company that but one train per day each way should be run by that company to connect with the said Bennington and Rutland road, and those trains were run at such hours as would not allow travelers to connect with the trains of other roads. This arrangement for diverting the through business from the Bennington and Rutland Railroad, was carried into effect during the period of the lease of the road to the Troy and Boston Company, and said company, in case it should ever again connect with the Bennington and Rutland road is under an obligation by its contract to continue it for about nine years longer.

In the mean time two of the citizens of this State, John Gregory Smith and John B. Page, had become lessees of the Bennington and Rutland road, to commence at the expiration of the before mentioned lease to the Troy and Boston Company, and had made preparations for operating it, by sending engines and cars to the state line to connect with those of the Troy and Boston Company. No such connection was however made, and although the lessees are desirous of making such connection, and have applied to the managers of the Troy and Boston Company for that purpose, they utterly refuse to agree upon any terms of connection, or to

run their cars to the state line ; and since the said 16th of January last there has consequently been no railroad outlet to the South and West, there being a break of about five miles between the state line and Hoosick Junction, from which latter place cars are running daily to Troy, a distance of twenty-six miles. This intermediate five miles of road is stated to have been, since the 16th of January last, permanently leased to the Rensselaer and Saratoga Railroad Company, thus placing all the avenues from Rutland to the South and West under the perfect control of that corporation.

The manufacturing interests that have grown up on the line of the Bennington and Rutland Railroad are very extensive and important, probably more so than any other section of the State of equal population, embracing those of cotton and woolen in their various branches ; of paper ; of iron by blast and cupola furnaces ; of ochre for paints ; of machinery for cotton, woolen and paper mills ; tanneries ; establishments for making chisels, carpenters' squares, chaires, bedsteads, doors, sash, and many other articles of both wood and metals. The railroad transportation required to furnish supplies and to send to market the products of these establishments must be very great. That portion of the State is also very rich in marble and timber, many thousands of tons of each being annually sent away by railroad. If these business operations, and others connected with them, are to be permanently shut off from railroad communications with the outer world, as they are at present, it is easy to see that all must seriously suffer, and that very many of them, which can only prosper by cheap and speedy transportation, must be utterly ruined.

This appearing to be the situation of affairs in that portion of the State, and believing that every considerable portion of the State, when suffering or in danger, is entitled to the sympathy and protection of the residue, and that the whole State, and particularly the whole Western part of it, is deeply interested in having a free and untrammelled outlet for freight and travel to the South and West from Rutland ; and feeling that any remedy for the evil complained of, in order to be effectual, must be prompt and speedy, I have felt it my duty to call you together on this occasion that you may take into consideration the whole matter, and adopt such measures in relation thereto as you shall deem right and proper.

It is understood that the excuse for breaking the railroad connection before mentioned, is founded on a complaint of the Troy and Boston Company against the proprietors (not the lessees) of the Bennington and Rutland Railroad, and that the officers of the company publicly declare that as long as the road is owned by the present proprietors no connections shall be made with it. Whether this complaint is well or ill founded, does not seem worth our while to inquire, for whatever may be its character, it is difficult to conceive how it can form any justification for inflicting indiscriminate, and perhaps irreparable, injury on an innocent public.

It is understood that the Rensselaer and Saratoga Company, owning the two rival roads from Rutland, desire to purchase the Bennington and Rutland Railroad. Such purchase would give them a monopoly of all the business and travel passing through that place to and from the South and West, and enable them to impose such terms upon it as they might choose. It is alleged that the present stoppage of the road is prompted and sustained by a desire to force a sale of it to that company. Whether it would be for the interest of the State to have all the avenues of business and travel in the hands of one corporation, and that a foreign one, may well be questioned. Since the before mentioned contract in February, 1866, by which the Bennington and Rutland road ceased to be a rival road to the Rensselaer and Saratoga road, it appears that the charges for freight on that road between Rutland and Troy have been largely increased—the increase on some portion of it exceeding ninety per cent.—thus imposing an additional burden upon all the business of the State which passes over that road to and from the North and East.

It is represented to me that the people on the line of the Bennington and Rutland road strongly distrust the inclinations of these foreign corporations to do them justice, and protest earnestly against any sale of the road to them, and certainly the facts hereinbefore stated of their efforts to make a permanent diversion of the business away from said road, and their present hostile attack upon it, do not seem calculated to inspire confidence in any future management of it by them.

To guard as far as practicable against a long continuance of the embarrassments under which the people in the South-western quarter of the State are laboring, it is proposed by them to open another outlet for the Bennington and Rutland

road to the South and West, by constructing a new railroad from the vicinity of its present termination, to connect with the New York and Harlem Railroad, at Chatham Four Corners. This, it is alleged, would supply the only link that is wanting to form the shortest and most desirable railroad route between the cities of Montreal and New York, running through the whole length of our State, and furnishing our people better railroad facilities than they have ever before enjoyed.

It is represented that thorough and accurate surveys have been made of the route of this road; that it is about fifty miles in length; that its cost will not exceed \$1,400,000, and that for its construction \$500,000 have already been subscribed in the state of New York. In order to make up the deficiency, or a portion of it, it is understood you will be asked to confer authority on the Bennington & Rutland Railroad Company to issue bonds and mortgage its road, and on all the towns interested to lend their pecuniary aid towards its construction.

The action of the Troy and Boston Company, in suddenly refusing to run their cars to connect with a road with which it had uninterruptedly connected for fifteen years, thereby inflicting great and certain injury on the public, is a rare occurrence in railroad history, and ought not to be allowed to be repeated, if in the power of the Legislature to prevent it. I suggest for your consideration whether a remedy might not be provided, by making corporations responsible for injuries occasioned by acts of this description. Both the Rensselaer and Saratoga and the Troy and Boston Railroad Companies operate roads of some extent within this State, and in doing so have the benefit of our laws for protection. If these corporations, by their control of these northern roads without the State, combine and confederate together to inflict irreparable injuries upon our citizens, it would seem that such acts might not be beyond the reach of legislative remedy.

I am not informed of any other considerable interest of our people that is likely to suffer for want of speedy legislation, and therefore omit calling your attention to other subjects.

PAUL DILLINGHAM.

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, }
Montpelier, March 27, 1867. }

Mr. Marsh introduced a bill entitled

H. 1. An act for re-building the jail in Windsor county ;
Which was read the first and second time, and, on motion of Mr. Marsh, referred to a special committee of three members, to be appointed by the Chair.

Mr. Rounds offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Representatives do not, at the present session, entertain any other business except such as has been referred to by the Governor in his proclamation convening the Legislature at this time, and in his message just received ;

Which was read, considered and adopted.

Mr. Brigham offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the joint rules and joint standing committees of the last session, be adopted as the joint rules and joint standing committees of the present session ;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Walker, of Ludlow, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the message of the Governor be ordered to lie upon the table, and that the Clerk be directed to procure five hundred copies of the same to be printed for the use of the General Assembly ;

Which was read and adopted.

Memorials of citizens of Vermont were respectively presented, praying for certain legislation in aid of the construction of a railroad connecting the Bennington and Rutland Railroad with the Harlem Railroad at Chatham Four Corners, in the state of New York ; and, on motion of Mr. Miner, severally

Ordered to lie, to wit :

By Mr. Miner, that of E. B. Burton and one hundred and fourteen others, of Manchester ; that of Howel Dillingham and eight others ; that of Frank Bromley and nine others ; that of P. Holton and seventeen others ; that of David Edmonds and twenty-eight others ; that of A. S. Baker and sixteen others ; that of J. B. Nichols and fifty others ; that of A. D. Smith and seven others, of Danby ; that of John F. Thompson and seven others ; that of E. B. Rounds and twenty others ; that of Andrew Marshall and twenty-four others, of Danby and Mount Tabor ; that of C. J. Hurd and twenty others ; that of Desmond Prin-

dle and twenty others; that of W. B. Randall and forty others, of Sandgate; that of M. A. Thomson and fifty-one others, of Landgrove; that of Elias Bentley and seven others; that of E. G. Bacon and twelve others, of Sunderland; that of L. G. Kingsley and eighteen others, of Rutland; that of A. K. York and ten others; that of E. Martindale and one hundred and twenty-eight others; that of Jacob Fuller and twenty-one others, of Wallingford; that of Joseph J. Scott and thirty-three others, of Danby and Wallingford; that of Seth Taylor, Jr., and thirty-six others; that of S. S. Lyon and twelve others; that of A. P. Graham and thirty-three others; that of G. T. Shanks and sixty-three others; that of Crawford Amedon and twenty-eight others, of Winhall.

By Mr. Park, that of Phillip T. Hubbell and ten others; that of Newell Squires and twenty-six others; that of C. E. Dewey and twenty-nine others; that of M. G. Sheldon and thirty-two others; that of Lafayette Lyon and ten others; that of A. Booth and twelve others; that of E. Dewey and twelve others; that of H. W. Booth and ten others; that of H. W. Putnam and forty-six others; that of H. E. Bradford and fifty others; that of H. A. Selden and four others; that of H. G. Root and eight others; that of George Benton and twenty-three others; that of Charles Thatcher, Jr., and one hundred and seventy-three others; that of S. L. Godfrey and twenty-seven others, of Bennington; that of Daniel Hulett and three others, of Shaftsbury.

By Mr. Hard, that of N. L. Andrew and twenty-nine others; that of Norman Hard and eighteen others; that of Harman Canfield and twenty-two others; that of Dorman Andrew and eight others; that of H. S. Hard and seventy-one others; that of S. M. West and thirty-seven others, of Arlington.

By Mr. Armstrong, that of D. L. Kent and fifty-eight others; that of Daniel Curtis and twenty-six others; that J. N. Morse and six others; that of J. S. Lambert and fifteen others; that of F. R. Allen and twenty others; that of Frederick Field and twenty-four others; that of A. Farnsworth and eleven others; that of H. B. Kent and sixty others; that of G. B. Holley and twenty-seven others; that of A. L. Bowen and seven others; that of E. L. Holley and forty others; that of E. J. Hawley and twenty-eight others, of Dorset.

By Mr. Benson, that of Porter Benson and one hundred and twenty-three others, of Clarendon.

By Mr. Prout, that of Chester Kingsley and thirty-three others; that of S. French and fifteen others, of Rutland.

By Mr. Barton, that of Heman Whipple and two hundred and thirty-six others, of Shaftsbury.

By Mr. Shuffleton, that of C. Shaw and eighty-five others; that of Malcom Canfield and twenty-three others; that of Edward Stone and eleven others, of Sunderland.

By Mr. Noble, that of George A. Jackson and twenty-six others; that of John Cobb and twenty-one others; that of J. H. Rounds and seventeen others, of Tinmouth; that of W. T. Herrick and twenty-six others, of Clarendon.

By Mr. Miner, that of R. S. Roberts and seven others; that of M. S. Colburn and eighteen others; that of A. G. Clark and eighty-two others; that of W. R. Dean and fourteen others, of Manchester.

By Mr. Simonds, that of J. J. Hapgood and twenty-eight others; that of George R. Davis and six others; that of H. E. Batchelder and twenty-two others; that of John Q. Adam and twenty-seven others, of Peru.

Mr. Miner introduced a bill entitled

H. 2. An act to enable the towns therein mentioned to aid in obtaining necessary railroad communications;

Which was read the first and second time, and pending the reference thereof,

On motion of Mr. Park, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows:

STATE OF VERMONT,
Executive Chamber, Montpelier, March 27, 1867. }
HON. J. W. STEWART,

Speaker of the House of Representatives:

At the request of the memorialists, I communicate to the House the enclosed memorial.

PAUL DILLINGHAM, Governor.

The memorial transmitted by his Excellency, the Governor, was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Vermont:—Your petitioners respectfully represent, that they are the proprietors and operators of extensive iron works, located in the city of Troy, in the state of New York, at which they manufacture, annually, about twenty-five thousand tons of iron, and employ about thirteen hundred persons. That during the past year they produced about thirteen thousand five hundred tons of pig iron from the ore, and contemplate in the coming year to increase that production to twenty-three thousand five hundred tons. That they own two iron ore mines in the southern part of the State of Vermont, from which they produced, the past year, about twenty-two thousand tons of ore, giving employment to about three hundred and twenty persons, and one hundred horses : That they desire to enlarge this production, and should do so, but for the heavy cost attending the transportation of these ores from the mines to the points of use : That both of the mines now operated by your petitioners, are situated in the town of Bennington, and so located, with reference to railroad facilities, as to impose a very large expense in communication with market. That the Vermont ores are not so rich as those produced along Lake Champlain, rendering it necessary to cheapen their production, in order to justify the raising of the ore. That the annexed diagram represents the situation of the mines to which reference is made, and their relation to market facilities.

That for the purpose of an economical production of said ore, so as to compete with the supplies furnished from other regions, and to enable your petitioners more fully to develop the mineral resources of Southern Vermont, and extend their manufacturing operations, they desire authority to construct a railroad from their mine, known as the Bennington Ore Mine, to East Bennington, and thence along the Walloomsack to the state line—as more particularly indicated in the diagram annexed.

Your petitioners deem this enterprise desirable irrespective of the difficulties which, of late, have obstructed the communications to and from Southern Vermont. None of the existing or proposed roads adequately accommodate the interest represented by your petitioners. They are persuaded that they can add immeasurably to the rich productions of

the State, if they can be enabled to employ their capital advantageously, both for the public and themselves. During the past year their expenditures in Bennington and Shaftsbury have been over one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and for wages and supplies in the month of February last past, twenty-two thousand dollars. The difficulty which obstructs and limits their operations, arises from the remoteness of their mines from railroad communication, and the consequent expense of animal transportation. About two years since they caused a line of railroad to be surveyed, which is substantially represented in the annexed diagram. It was postponed only on account of the extraordinary high prices of material and labor. They pray authority from your honorable body to construct it, believing that they can thus advance the interests of the State, while promoting their own. Your petitioners believe that to be the truest exhibition of public spirit and philanthropy, which unites and identifies private effort with public advancement: And they are confident that the enterprise they ask your permission to prosecute will possess, in an exalted degree, this commendable character.

H. BURDEN & SONS.

Which, on motion of Mr. Clark, of Poultney, was
Ordered to lie.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, introduced a bill entitled

H. 3. An act to incorporate the Walloomsac Railroad Company;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Roads.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following named members, to constitute the select committee to whom is referred House bill entitled

H. 1. An act for re-building the jail in Windsor County; to wit:

Mr. Ross of St. Johnsbury,
“ Van Sicklen,
“ Burt.

Petitions praying for a charter for a railroad from the line of the state of New York to the town of Woodford, were severally presented and referred to the Committee on Roads, to wit:

By Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, that of Pliny Crawford and one hundred and seventy-six others; that of Tarrant

Sibley and ninety-one others ; that of Benjamin R. Sears and one hundred and seventy-five others ; that of John Sibley and ninety-five others ; that of Ezra Crawford and eighty-six others, citizens of the town of Bennington.

By Mr. Barton, that of Hiram Barton and two hundred others, citizens of the town of Shaftsbury.

By Mr. Foster, of Pownal, that of John M. Potter and one hundred and forty others, citizens of Pownal.

By Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, that of R. W. Irish and twenty-nine others, citizens of Searsburg.

Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, introduced a bill entitled

H. 4. An act to enable the towns therein named to aid in the construction of the Montpelier & St. Johnsbury and Essex County railroads ;

Which was read the first and second time, and, on motion of Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, referred to a select committee, consisting of the members of the House from the towns named in the bill.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed a bill entitled

S. 8. An act ceding to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over sites for custom houses ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 2. An act in addition to, and explanation of, certain statutes authorizing towns to aid in the construction of railroads within this State ;

S. 4. An act to incorporate the People's Gas Light Company of Rutland ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

House bill entitled

H. 2. An act to enable the towns therein mentioned to aid in obtaining necessary railroad connections ;

Was taken up. Pending its reference, Mr. Miner moved that House rules numbers twenty-five and twenty-six be

suspended as to this bill, and that it now be put to its passage;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? It was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time, at this time, and passed.

Mr. Park introduced a bill entitled

H. 5. An act to enable the Bennington and Rutland Railroad Company to aid in obtaining necessary railroad connections;

Which was read the first and second time, and pending the reference thereof, Mr. Park moved that House rules numbers twenty-five and twenty-six be suspended as to this bill, and that it now be put to its passage;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time, at this time, and passed.

Senate bill entitled

S. 2. An act in addition to, and explanation of certain statutes, authorizing towns to aid in the construction of railroads within this State;

Was read the first and second time, and, pending the reference thereof, Mr. Marsh moved that House rules, numbers twenty-five and twenty-six, be suspended as to this bill;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time, at this time, and passed in concurrence.

Senate bill entitled

S. 3. An act ceding to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over sites for custom-houses;

Was read the first and second time, and, pending the reference thereof, Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved that House rules, numbers twenty-five and twenty-six, be suspended as to this bill;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative; whereupon said bill was read the third time, at this time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 4. An act to enable the towns therein named to aid in the construction of the Montpelier & St. Johnsbury and the Essex County railroads ;

Reported in favor of its passage.

The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved that House rules numbers twenty-five and twenty-six be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time, at this time, and passed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have passed a bill of the following title :

S. 5. An act to incorporate the Rutland Railroad Company ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Park offered the following joint resolution, which was read and adopted on the part of the House :

WHEREAS, The control by foreign corporations of the railroad facilities of this State has become a subject of grave practical importance ; and

WHEREAS, Serious complaints have been brought to the attention of the Legislature against the conduct of such corporations engaged in the management of Vermont roads ; and

WHEREAS, No disposition of these public works ought to be allowed, which impairs the paramount right of the people of the State to the just and reasonable use thereof ; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Governor be requested to appoint three commissioners, whose duty it shall be to consider this subject, and to inquire into the grievances alleged to have been sustained, with power to send for persons and papers. And to report to the next annual session of the Legislature, whether any, and what, additional legislation in the premises is necessary. And to prepare any bill on the subject which they may think proper to recommend.

Mr. Burt introduced a bill entitled

H. 6. An act to prevent the destruction of fish by the use of pounds, or by the setting of nets ;

Which was read the first and second time, and, pending the reference thereof, Mr. Burt moved that House rules, numbers twenty-five and twenty-six, be suspended, as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative ; and said bill was read the third time, at this time, and passed.

Senate bill entitled

S. 4. An act to incorporate the People's Gas Light Company of Rutland ;

Was read the first and second time, and, pending the reference thereof, Mr. Prout moved that House rules, numbers twenty-five and twenty-six, be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? Mr. Prout moved that the House propose to the Senate to amend the bill by inserting, between section thirteen and section fourteen, the following :

Sec. —. An act entitled "An act to incorporate the Rutland Gas Light Company," approved Nov. 25, 1858, is hereby repealed, provided that the Rutland Gas Light Company fail or neglect to supply the people of the village of Rutland with gas for four months from the date of the approval of this act ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question recurring, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative ; and said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment.

Senate bill entitled

S. 5. An act to incorporate the Rutland Railroad Company ;

Was read the first and second time, and pending a reference thereof, Mr. Prout moved that House rules number twenty-five and twenty-six be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time?

it was decided in the affirmative; and said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Mr. Birchard to the Committee on Mileage and Debentures to fill the vacancy in said committee occasioned by the absence of Mr. Parmelee, of Bristol, a member thereof.

On motion of Mr. Lane, of Cornwall, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 1867.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Pease, of Charlotte, moved that the Clerk be directed to request the Senate to return to the possession of the House, Senate bill entitled

S. 5. An act to incorporate the Rutland Railroad Company.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have adopted a joint resolution relating to a final adjournment;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have passed bills entitled

S. 6. An act to provide a workshop for the Vermont Reform School;

S. 9. An act to incorporate the Bennington Gas Light Company;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved a bill, originating in the Senate, entitled

S. 5. An act to incorporate the Rutland Railroad Company;

Whereupon the Speaker ruled the pending motion of Mr. Pease, of Charlotte, not in order.

Mr. Prout introduced a bill entitled

H. 7. An act to pay the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, the Clerk and Assistant Clerks of the House of Representatives, respectively, the sums therein mentioned ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Simon Doane presented his credentials as the representative of the town of Searsburgh, took and subscribed to the oaths prescribed by the Constitution, and was admitted to his seat in the House.

Joint resolution from the Senate as follows :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives declare their respective Houses adjourned without day, on Friday, the 29th instant, at eight o'clock in the forenoon ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Smith, of Bridport, introduced a bill entitled

H. 8. An act to legalize the action of the legal voters of the town of Bridport ;

Which was read the first and second time, and pending the reference thereof, Mr. Smith, of Bridport, moved that House rules numbers twenty-five and twenty-six be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time ? on motion of Mr. Clark, of Poultney, said bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, introduced a bill entitled

H. 9. An act to punish breaches of the peace and unlawful combinations ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Prout introduced a bill entitled

H. 10. An act to incorporate the Cain and Drake Marble Company of Pittsford ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Petitions praying for a charter for a railroad from the line

of the state of New York to the town of Woodford, were severally presented, and referred to the Committee on Roads, to wit :

By Mr. Mason, of Readsboro, that of John H. Mattison and seven others, citizens of Glastenbury ; that of William Knapp and fifty-two others, citizens of Woodford.

Senate bill entitled

S. 6. An act to provide a workshop for the Vermont Reform School ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Senate bill entitled

S. 9. An act to incorporate the Bennington Gas Light Company ;

Was read the first and second time, and, pending the reference thereof, Mr. Park moved that House rule number twenty-five be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time ? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time, at this time, and passed in concurrence.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have considered a joint resolution relating to joint rules and joint standing committees ; and a joint resolution concerning the control by foreign corporations of railroads in Vermont ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered the House proposal of amendment to

S. 4. An act to incorporate the People's Gas Light Company of Rutland ;

And do not concur therein.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, introduced a bill entitled

H. 11. An act to provide for the expenses of the present session of the General Assembly ;

Which was read the first and second time ; and pending the reference thereof, Mr. Miner moved that House rules twenty-five and twenty-six be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, from the select committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 1. An act for re-building the jail in Windsor county ;

Submitted the following report :

To the House of Representatives :

The special committee, to whom was referred House bill No. 1, entitled "An act for re-building the jail in Windsor county," respectfully report that they have considered the same, and find the following facts :

On the evening of the 23d instant, the only jail in Windsor county, located at Woodstock, was burned. Consequently no such notice as required by the statute or rules of the House was or could be given ; that an application for the legislation sought for in the bill, would be made at the present session of the Legislature. It appeared that there were four prisoners in the jail at the time the fire broke out, which have been transferred to jails of adjoining counties ; and that the jail burned has been in constant use for the past fifteen or twenty years, for the confinement of persons charged with offenses ; that the towns on the southern border of the county could be reasonably accommodated by the jail at Rutland, and those on the northern border by the jail at Chelsea ; but that the central towns of the county would be obliged to transport all persons ordered to be committed to jail from that vicinity about thirty miles ; and all persons to be tried at Woodstock would have to be brought thirty or more miles if confined in the jails nearest to Woodstock. There was an insurance of \$3,075 on the jail house and barn burned, which the county can avail itself of in the construction of a new jail. It further appeared that the stone part or jail proper, was not apparently much injured by the fire, and would furnish the necessary stone material for a new jail ; that the present jail lot is large, covering about one-half acre, in the central part of the village of Woodstock, and it is probable that by selling this lot, which is about fifty rods from the court house, and purchasing a lot nearer the court house, some \$2000 could be realized to aid in the construction of the new buildings, in excess of the cost of the new site. It further appeared that the county would be deprived of a jail in all probability till the autumn of 1868,

unless legislation can be had at this time, while, if the present bill can be passed, the county can be furnished with a jail the present season. It further appeared that a number of towns in the southern part of the county, are favorable to the formation of a new county to be composed of towns taken from the southern part of Windsor and northern part of Windham counties, and that these towns in Windsor county are opposed to any legislation at this time, in reference to re-building the jail, and desire that the same may be considered in connection with an application for the formation of a new county, and insist that your committee have no right under the statute to consider the merits of the bill, inasmuch as the statute requiring notice for the application for this legislation has not been complied with, and did not participate in the hearing before the committee on the merits of the bill on that account. It was not seriously claimed by those opposed to the bill, but that Woodstock would remain the county seat of Windsor county in case the proposed new county is formed, and there would be a necessity for a jail at that place. It further appeared that the court house at Woodstock is of recent construction, and one of the best in the State. If, under these facts, the House are of opinion the bill ought to be entertained and passed, your committee recommend that the bill be amended by adding thereto a section as follows :

This act shall take effect from its passage.

J. ROSS, for Committee.

Whereupon the question was put, Shall the bill be amended as recommended by the committee?

Mr. Rounds moved that the bill be dismissed ; pending which,

On motion of Mr. Burt, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 12. An act to establish the Rutland Graded School ;

S. 13. An act to incorporate the American Hone and Box Company ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Senate bill entitled

S. 12. An act to establish the Rutland Graded School ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate bill entitled

S. 13. An act to incorporate the American Hone and Box Company ;

Was read the first and second time, and pending the reference thereof, Mr. Parker, of Wolcott, moved that rule twenty-five be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time, at this time, and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Prout, the House receded from its proposal of amendment to Senate bill entitled

S. 4. An act to incorporate the People's Gas Light Company of Rutland.

Mr. Miner, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 8. An act to legalize the action of the legal voters of the town of Bridport ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 10. An act to incorporate the Cain and Drake Marble Company of Pittsford ;

Reported in favor of its passage. The question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time? Mr. Prout moved that House rules, numbers twenty-five and twenty-six, be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to ; whereupon said bill was read the third time, at this time, and passed.

House bill entitled

H. 1. An act for re-building the jail in Windsor county ;

Was taken up as unfinished business of the morning

session. The question being, Shall the bill be dismissed? it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 123, nays 84.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Rounds, of Chester, were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Allen,	Gleason,	Pease,
Appleton,	Goodsell,	Phillips,
Armstrong,	Goss,	Pierce,
Ayres,	Gray,	Potter,
Ball of Granville,	Green,	Roberts,
Ball of Springfield,	Griffith,	Robie,
Bartlett of Morgan,	Hamilton,	Rogers,
Benson,	Hard,	Rounds,
Birchard,	Harris,	Safford,
Bliss,	Hinsdell,	Sanborn of Peacham,
Bowker,	Holmes,	Shedd of Hardwick,
Bragg,	Horton,	Simonds,
Brigham,	Hubbard of Whiting,	Skinner,
Brock,	Irish,	Smith of Bridport,
Bullard,	Jones,	Smith of Ferrisburgh,
Barton,	Judevine,	Smith of Roxbury,
Butterfield,	Kellogg,	Smith of Strafford,
Buzzell,	Ladd of Enosburgh,	Snyder,
Cady,	Ladd of Worcester,	Spafford,
Cardell,	Lamb,	Spaulding,
Carpenter of Pawlet,	Leland,	Stickney,
Carpenter of Randolph,	Lyon,	Stone,
Carter,	Mann,	Taft,
Cheney,	Martin of Montgomery,	Tenney,
Clafin,	Martin of Sheldon,	Tilden,
Clark of Addison,	Marvin,	Tolman,
Cleaveland of Brookfield,	Mason of Ira,	Town,
Cobb,	McIntosh,	Tryon,
Coleman,	Miles,	Van Sicklen,
Cook,	Morgan,	Waite,
Corliss of Corinth,	Morse,	Walker of Ludlow,
Corliss of Richford,	Nelson,	Webster,
Cristy,	Nichols,	Weeks,
Davis,	Niles,	Welch,
Deming,	Noble,	Weston of Colchester,
Doane,	Notk,	White of Shelburne,
Eddy,	Nourse,	Whitney of Wilmington,
Fairman,	Noyes,	Wiley,
Foster of Pownal,	Parker,	Willard,
Freeman,	Pattee,	Woods,
Gibbs,	Peake,	Wyman—123.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Andrews,	Emmons,	Mason of Readsboro,
Baird,	Foster of Calais,	McClary,
Barron,	Foster of Montpelier,	McQuivey,
Bartlett of Plainfield,	Foster of Walden,	Merrifield,
Barton,	Gibb,	Miner,
Bemis,	Graves of Duxbury,	Moore,
Benton of Waltham,	Graves of Kirby,	Muzzy,
Bradley,	Greenbank,	Paul,
Brown,	Grover,	Purinton,
Bruce,	Hale,	Randall,
Burt,	Hathaway,	Richardson of Waitsfield,
Chamberlin,	Hay,	Richardson of Westford,
Chandler,	Herrick,	Robinson,
Coffin,	Hill,	Root,
Converse,	Hopkins,	Ross of Brandon,
Cooper,	Howard,	Ruggles,
Corbin,	Hubbard of Stockbridge,	Sanborn of Vershire,
Curtis of Lowell,	Johnson of Wardsboro,	Seavy,
Curtis of Somerset,	Lane of Cornwall,	Shedd of West Windsor,
Dana,	Lane of Derby,	Shepard,
Drew,	Loveland,	Sherman,
Dunn,	Marsh,	Shuffleton,
Earle,	Martin of Marshfield,	Slocum,

Smith of Guilford,
Somers,
Soper,
Stevens,
Stewart,
Swinington,

Taylor,
Thomas,
Tripp,
Walker of Dummerston,
Warren,

Wells of Waterbury,
Weston of Essex,
Wheelock,
Whitcomb,
Whitney of Marlboro—84.

So the bill was dismissed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bill entitled

H. 2. An act to enable the towns therein mentioned to aid in obtaining necessary railroad communications ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment, in the adoption of which the the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Harris, from the Committee on Roads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 3. An act to incorporate the Walloomsac Railroad Company ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the engrossment and third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the Committee of Ways and Means to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 6. An act to provide a workshop for the Vermont Reform School ;

Reported in favor of its passage. The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time ? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Clark, of Poultney, from the same committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 7. An act to pay the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, the Clerk and Assistant Clerks of the House of Representatives, respectively, the sums therein mentioned ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended, by inserting in the first blank therein the word *fifty* ; by inserting in the second blank the words *twenty-five* ; by inserting in the third blank the word *fifty* ; by inserting in the fourth blank the words *twenty-five* ; by inserting in the fifth blank the words *twenty-five* ; and by inserting in the sixth blank the words *twenty-five* ;

Which proposed amendments were severally agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be ordered to be engrossed and read the third time ? Mr. Clark, of

Poultney, moved that House rules, numbers twenty-five and twenty-six, be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Dunn, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 12. An act to establish the Rutland Graded School ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

The House considered the Senate proposal of amendment to House bill entitled

H. 2. An act to enable the towns therein mentioned to aid in obtaining necessary railroad communications ;

And concurred therein.

Mr. Prout, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 9. An act to punish breaches of the peace and unlawful combinations ;

Reported in favor of its passage. Mr. Park moved that House rules, numbers twenty-five and twenty-six, be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time, at this time, and passed.

Mr. Nelson introduced a bill entitled

H. 12. An act for the preservation of fish in Ticklenaked pond ;

Which was read the first time. The question being, Shall the bill be read the second time? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Hubbard, of Stockbridge, moved that the House do now take a recess for thirty minutes ;

Which motion was agreed to, and the recess taken, at the expiration of which the Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Marvin moved that the House take a further recess of thirty minutes ;

Which motion was agreed to, and the recess taken, at the expiration of which the Speaker resumed the chair.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have considered

H. 2. An act to enable the towns therein mentioned to aid in obtaining necessary railroad communications ;

H. 4. An act to enable the towns therein named to aid in the construction of the Montpelier & St. Johnsbury and the Essex County railroads ;

H. 5. An act to enable the Bennington & Rutland Railroad Company to aid in obtaining necessary railroad connections ;

H. 6. An act to prevent the destruction of fish by the use of pounds, or by the setting of nets ;

H. 10. An act to incorporate the Cain and Drake Marble Company ;

H. 11. An act to provide for the expenses of the present session of the General Assembly ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 8. An act to authorize the towns therein mentioned to raise money for building a railroad ;

S. 11. An act to incorporate the Northern Telegraph Company ;

S. 15. An act to authorize the assignment of a license by Geo. F. Bailey & Co. ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Senate bill entitled

S. 8. An act to authorize the towns therein mentioned to raise money for building a railroad ;

Was read the first and second time, and, on motion of Mr. Harris, referred to a select committee consisting of the members from the towns named in the bill.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bill entitled

H. 7. An act to pay the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, and the Clerk and Assistant Clerks of the House of Representatives, respectively, the sums therein mentioned ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Senate bill entitled

S. 11. An act to incorporate the Northern Telegraph Company;

Was read the first and second time, and pending the reference thereof, Mr. Foster, of Montpelier, moved that House rule number twenty-five be suspended as to this bill;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Senate bill entitled

S. 15. An act authorizing the assignment of a license by Geo. F. Bailey & Co.;

Was read the first and second time, and pending the reference thereof, Mr. Ross, of St. Johnsbury, moved that House rule number twenty-five be suspended as to this bill;

Which motion was agreed to.

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and said bill was read the third time.

The question being, Shall the bill pass in concurrence? it was decided in the negative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills, originating in the Senate, of the following titles:

S. 2. An act in addition to, and explanation of certain statutes authorizing towns to aid in the construction of railroads within this State;

S. 3. An act ceding to the United States exclusive jurisdiction over sites for custom houses;

S. 4. An act to incorporate the People's Gas Light Company of Rutland;

S. 9. An act to incorporate the Bennington Gas Light Company;

S. 13. An act to incorporate the American Hone and Box Company.

Mr. Prout, from the select committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 8. An act to authorize the towns therein named to raise money for building a railroad;

Reported adversely to its passage. The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? on motion of Mr. Prout, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Peck, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered

H. 9. An act to punish breaches of the peace, and unlawful combinations ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Governor has informed the Senate that he has this day approved a bill, originating in the Senate, of the following title, viz :

S. 12. An act to establish the Rutland Graded School.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Dillingham, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives, that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 2. An act to enable the towns therein mentioned to aid in obtaining necessary railroad communications ;

H. 4. An act to enable the towns therein named to aid in the construction of the Montpelier & St. Johnsbury and Essex County Railroad ;

H. 5. An act to enable the Bennington & Rutland Railroad Company to aid in obtaining necessary railroad connections ;

H. 6. An act to prevent the destruction of fish by the use of pounds or by the setting of nets ;

H. 7. An act to pay the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, the Clerk and Assistant Clerks of the House of Representatives, respectively, the sums therein mentioned ;

H. 10. An act to incorporate the Cain and Drake Marble Company of Pittsford ;

H. 11. An act to provide for the expenses of the present session of the General Assembly ;

H. 9. An act to punish breaches of the peace and unlawful combinations.

Mr. Miner offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted :

Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to inform the Senate that the House has completed, on its part, the business of the session, and is now ready to adjourn without day.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have passed a bill entitled

S. 14. An act for re-building the jail in Windsor county ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Senate bill entitled

S. 14. An act for re-building the jail in Windsor county ;

Was read the first and second time. Mr. Marsh moved that House rule number twenty-five, be suspended as to this bill ;

Which motion was disagreed to, and, on motion of Mr. Rounds, of Chester, said bill was

Ordered to lie.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Dillingham, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives, that he has no further communication to make to them.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Governor has informed the Senate, that he has this day approved and signed a bill, originating in the Senate, of the following title, viz :

S. 11. An act to incorporate the Northern Telegraph Company.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1867.

At eight o'clock in the forenoon, agreeably to the joint resolution for final adjournment, the Speaker of the House of Representatives declared the House adjourned without day.

JOHN H. FLAGG,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the State of Vermont, for the Special Session of the General Assembly, convened at Montpelier, on the 27th day of March, A. D. 1867, under a proclamation of his Excellency, the Governor.

JOHN H. FLAGG,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

ACTS AND RESOLVES
PASSED BY THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE
STATE OF VERMONT.

SPECIAL SESSION,

MARCH, 1867.

LAWS OF VERMONT.

No. 1.—AN ACT TO ENABLE THE TOWNS THERE- IN MENTIONED, TO AID IN OBTAINING NEC- CESSARY RAILROAD COMMUNICATIONS.

SECTION

1. Certain towns empowered to aid in building a railroad.
2. Subscriptions, how made.
3. Commissioners, how appointed ; powers of such commission.
4. Town may issue bonds ; bonds, how executed and issued.

SECTION

5. Assent of majority, how determined.
6. Duty of commissioners.
7. Inability of any of the commissioners.
8. Duty of treasurer and selectmen to issue such bonds.
9. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont :

SEC. 1. The towns of Bennington, Shaftsbury, Arlington, Sunderland, Manchester, Winhall, Peru, Landgrove, Sandgate, Dorset and Woodford, in the county of Bennington, and the towns of Danby, Mount Tabor, Clarendon, Tinmouth, Wallingford, and Rutland, in the county of Rutland, or any or either of them, are hereby authorized and empowered to subscribe for, purchase, or acquire, upon the conditions in this act specified, the bonds of the Lebanon Springs Railroad Company, a corporation existing in the state of New York, or the bonds or stock of any other railroad company, now or hereafter organized, whose road shall connect with the Bennington & Rutland Railroad, or with any road connecting therewith, in such manner and direction as to afford to said Bennington and Rutland road, communication by railroad with New York, Albany, or Boston ; and to make any contract incident to the subscription for, or purchase of such bonds or stock. Or said towns, or either of them, may contract for, purchase or acquire from said Ben-

nington & Rutland Railroad Company, upon the conditions in this act specified, and upon such terms as may be agreed on with said company, any of the bonds or stock aforesaid, and make any contract incident to such purchase.

SEC. 2. No such subscription, purchase or contract, shall be made by either of the towns aforesaid, unless the assent in writing thereto of a majority of the tax-payers, both in number and amount of tax in such town, shall be obtained before the first day of January, 1868. Which assent shall be signed and acknowledged before a justice of the peace of the county in which said town is situated, by each person so assenting, and the amount of the list of such person shall be set opposite his name. And said assent shall state substantially the contract, subscription or purchase to be made, and the conditions on which the same is to be made.

SEC. 3. In every such instrument of assent shall be named three persons, who shall be resident citizens and tax-payers of the town wherein such assent has effect, as commissioners to make and execute on behalf of such town, the subscription, purchase or contract therein mentioned. And when such instrument shall have been signed and acknowledged by the majority herein required, such persons therein named shall be commissioners for that purpose. And any contract, subscription or purchase, by them made and subscribed in writing, in the name and behalf of such town, in pursuance of the terms of said assent, and not inconsistent therewith, nor with the provisions of this act, shall be valid and binding upon such town.

SEC. 4. Any of the said towns are hereby authorized and empowered to make and issue their negotiable bonds or notes at a rate of interest not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, specified in semi-annual coupons thereto attached, for the purpose of making any purchase, or fulfilling any subscription or contract authorized by this act, or of raising money so to do. Which said bonds or notes shall be signed by the selectmen and countersigned by the treasurer of the town issuing the same, and shall be dated, numbered and registered in the town clerk's office of such town. And said coupons shall be signed by said treasurer. And said bonds or notes so made and issued shall create a valid obligation against such town, according to their tenor. And the same may be disposed of by such town treasurer for the purposes aforesaid.

SEC. 5. In determining the number and amount of tax-payers in any of the towns aforesaid, for the purposes of this act, reference shall be had to the grand list of the year 1866. And where the estate of any person deceased, or under guardianship, or any estate in the hands of trustees, shall be included in said list, or where any person named in said list shall have since deceased, or have been placed under guardianship, the executor, administrator, guardian or trustee, as the case may be, of such estate, shall be authorized in its behalf to make the assent provided for herein. And in case the property of any corporation is embraced in any such list, assent may be given in behalf of such corporation, by a majority of the directors thereof. And where it shall be made to appear to said commissioners, that any real estate included in the list of 1866 has since been conveyed, the assent herein provided for may be given by the person or party now liable to taxation thereon, if a resident of the town in which said estate is situated. And in computing the number and amount of tax-payers in any town, tax-payers not resident in such town shall be excluded.

SEC. 6. When any instrument of assent herein provided for shall have been signed and acknowledged by the majority, and in the manner herein required, the commissioners named in such assent shall append thereto a certificate by them subscribed and sworn to, stating that such assent has been signed and acknowledged by such majority, as required by this act. And shall cause such instrument of assent and certificate to be filed in the town clerk's office of the town where the same has effect, and cause the same to be there recorded. And a copy of such assent and certificate, certified by such town clerk, shall be recorded in the county clerk's office of the county where such town is situated. And such commissioners shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties. And until such records are made, said commissioners shall not proceed to make any contract, subscription or purchase in the name or behalf of such town. Such certificate so executed and recorded shall be conclusive evidence of the facts stated, and by this act authorized to be stated therein. And a certified copy thereof, and of such assent, from either of said offices where the same are so recorded, shall be legal evidence of the same.

SEC. 7. If any of the commissioners provided for in this act, shall, after their appointment as such, as aforesaid, die

or remove from this state, or become incapable of acting, application may be made by any signer of the instrument of assent wherein such commissioner was named, to the court of chancery, for the appointment of a commissioner in the place of the one so deceased, removed or incapable. And said court may make such appointment, upon such notice of said application to parties in interest, as said court may direct. And the person so appointed shall be a resident citizen and tax-payer of the town for which he is appointed. And shall have the same powers and duties, as if originally named in said instrument of assent.

SEC. 8. In case the conditions expressed in any instrument of assent that shall be signed by a majority of tax-payers of any of said towns as herein provided, shall require the issue by said towns of any bonds under the provisions of this act, then the treasurer and selectmen of such town shall make and issue such bonds, in accordance with the requirements of said conditions. And in case they shall fail to make and issue the same for a period of thirty days after a demand in writing therefor, made upon them by any party entitled thereto, or entitled to the money to be raised thereby, then the contract, subscription, or purchase specified in said instrument shall be valid against said town as an immediate liability, the same as if no condition for the issue of such bonds had been contained therein.

SEC. 9. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

**NO. 2.—AN ACT TO ENABLE THE BENNINGTON
AND RUTLAND RAILROAD COMPANY TO AID
IN OBTAINING NECESSARY RAILROAD CON-
NECTIONS.**

SECTION

1. Certain powers granted.
2. Empowered to issue bonds.

SECTION

3. No contracts to be made until authorized by directors.
4. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. The Bennington & Rutland Railroad Company

are hereby authorized and empowered to subscribe for, purchase, or acquire the bonds of the Lebanon Springs Railroad Company, a corporation existing in the state of New York, or the bonds or stock of any other Railroad Company, now or hereafter organized, whose road may connect with the Bennington & Rutland Railroad, or with any railroad connecting therewith, in such manner and direction as to afford to said Bennington & Rutland road, communication by railroad with New York, Albany, or Boston. And to hold, or to sell, assign, or dispose of such bonds or stock, upon such terms as they may think proper, and to guarantee the payment of such bonds, or of dividends on such stock, and to make any contract incident thereto.

SEC. 2. The said Bennington & Rutland Railroad Company are hereby further authorized and empowered to issue their bonds, at a rate of interest not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, and to execute a mortgage or deed of trust of their said railroad and franchise or other property, or to pledge the income thereof, either for the purpose of securing the payment of said bonds, or of securing the performance of any guarantee or contract that may be made by said company as authorized by the first section of this act.

SEC. 3. No contract shall be made by said company under the authority conferred by this act, until such contract shall be authorized by vote of the directors of said company, and approved by a vote of three-fourths in amount of the stockholders of said company, at a legal meeting thereof.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

No. 3.—AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE RUTLAND RAILROAD COMPANY.

SECTION

1. Corporators; name; purpose; rights and privileges.
2. Capital stock, how raised.
3. Act not to take effect till certain conditions are complied with.

SECTION

4. Commissioners; subscriptions to stock, how received.
5. Duty of commissioners with regard to organization; first meeting, how called.

SECTION

6. Officers ; term of office.
7. Powers, rights and privileges same as now enjoyed by Rutland & Burlington Railroad Company and trustees thereof; further powers thereby guarantied; liability of corporation.
8. Corporation may issue preferred or guarantied stock in payment of prior claims; said stock to bear seven per cent.

SECTION

- interest, and shall take precedence of all other liabilities.
9. No preferred stock to be issued except upon certain conditions; liability of directors.
10. By-laws; contracts for payment of liabilities of corporation may be made.
11. Preferred stock may be converted into common stock.
12. Subject to future legislation.
13. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. John B. Page, Edwin A. Birchard, Peter Butler, John B. Taft, James S. Whitney, Aaron B. Spencer, Frederick Chaffee and John S. Eldridge, bond-holders under the second mortgage or deed of trust on the Rutland and Burlington Railroad, in the State of Vermont, their associates and successors, are hereby incorporated under the name of the Rutland Railroad Company, for the purpose of holding, maintaining and operating the said railroad, and as such shall have succession and be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a corporation.

SEC. 2. The capital stock of said corporation shall be three millions of dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each. And every holder of a bond secured by said second deed of trust or mortgage on said Rutland and Burlington Railroad shall be entitled to surrender the same to said corporation, and to receive in lieu thereof one share of capital stock for each hundred dollars of principal and interest due on such bond.

SEC. 3. This act shall not take effect to incorporate said company unless the holders of three-fourths in amount of the bonds issued under said second mortgage shall within four months after the passage of this act surrender their bonds as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 4. John Prout and John Howe, Jr., are hereby appointed commissioners, whose duty it shall be to give public notice in one newspaper published in the city of Boston, and one newspaper published in each county through which such road runs, for three weeks successively, of the time and place when and where they will sit to receive subscriptions

for the stock of said corporation in exchange for the bonds aforementioned. And the books for such subscription shall remain open at least ten days after the last publication of such notice. And said commissioners shall at the time and place appointed proceed to receive such subscriptions, and to receive the bonds in exchange therefor. And no such subscription shall be received for a greater sum than the amount due as herein provided upon bonds under said second mortgage, actually deposited by the subscriber at the time of his subscription with said commissioners. And if the holders of three-fourths in amount of said bonds do not subscribe for such stock in exchange therefor, then said commissioners shall return to each subscriber the bonds so by him deposited.

SEC. 5. When the holders of three-fourths in amount of said bonds shall have subscribed for such capital stock in exchange for said bonds in the manner herein provided, said commissioners shall certify the fact under their hands and seals, and cause such certificate to be recorded in the office of the Secretary of State. And said commissioners shall then call the first meeting of said stockholders for the organization of said company, to be holden at Rutland on some day by said commissioners to be designated. And ten days notice shall be given by said commissioners of the time and place of said meeting to each of said stockholders, either personally or by mail, property directed and post paid.

SEC. 6. The officers of said corporation who shall be chosen at said first meeting shall be not less than five, nor more than nine directors. And said directors shall elect one of their number as president, and shall appoint a treasurer and a clerk. And all said officers shall hold office for one year, and until others are duly elected or appointed in their stead.

SEC. 7. When said corporation shall have been duly formed and organized under the provisions of this act, it shall become vested with all the powers, rights, privileges and franchises for maintaining and operating said railroad, which were vested in and enjoyed by said Rutland and Burlington Railroad Company. And it shall be subject to like duties and liabilities. And shall likewise succeed to, hold and enjoy all rights, benefits, title and advantage derived or to be derived by the trustees of said second mortgage or deed of trust under any decree of foreclosure of the same or of sale of said road and mortgaged property. And all

rights, title and interest acquired by said trustees under any such foreclosure or sale shall vest in said corporation. And said corporation may at once take possession of and maintain and operate said railroad subject to all existing rights of other parties, and may proceed in any manner it may deem expedient, either by purchase or otherwise, to obtain the title and ownership or the use and benefit of the whole estate, and to satisfy the interests or claims, undivided or otherwise, of any other party or parties interested in said railroad or any part thereof. And until the interests of such other parties shall become vested in such new corporation, said corporation shall be the trustees thereof, and shall be accountable therefor as such.

SEC. 8. Said corporation shall be authorized upon vote of their directors to issue a preferred or guarantied stock for the purpose of satisfying, paying or purchasing prior claims or incumbrances upon or interests in said road and property, and not exceeding in amount the amount justly due upon said prior claims or incumbrances. And such stock may be exchanged for such prior claims or incumbrances upon such terms as may be agreed on. And said preferred or guarantied stock when so issued shall be entitled to receive dividends from the earnings and income of said corporation at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, free of United States tax, before any other dividends shall be made therefrom. And said corporation shall pay and shall be liable to pay such dividends on said preferred stock semi-annually from their earnings or income. And until declared, interest shall be added to each dividend from the end of the half year when the same should be declared. And no dividends shall be paid on the common stock of said corporation until a dividend is made on said preferred stock, nor while any semi-annual dividend on said stock or interest thereon, herein provided for, remains undeclared. And no mortgage of said road and property, or any part thereof, shall be made by said corporation that shall take precedence of said preferred or guarantied stock in the application of the income of said corporation.

SEC. 9. No preferred or guarantied stock shall be issued by said corporation unless an equal amount of claims or incumbrance on said road and property prior to that of said corporation shall be thereby satisfied, retired or exchanged therefor. And if any such preferred or guarantied stock

shall be issued in violation of the provisions of this section, the directors of said corporation shall be personally liable to any holder of such stock for such damages as he may sustain in consequence of such over issue.

SEC. 10. Said corporation shall be authorized and empowered to make any by-laws not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, nor with the laws of this State, and to make any and all lawful contracts touching the satisfaction, adjustment or payment of prior incumbrances on said road and property.

SEC. 11. Said corporation shall be authorized to make the preferred stock herein provided for convertible into common stock of said corporation at the option of the holder.

SEC. 12. This act shall be subject to the action of any future legislature, to amend, alter or repeal, as the public good may require.

SEC. 13. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

NO. 4.—AN ACT TO ENABLE THE TOWNS THEREIN NAMED TO AID IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MONTPELIER & ST. JOHNSBURY AND THE ESSEX COUNTY RAILROADS.

SECTION

1. Certain towns therein named, authorized to aid in construction of a railroad.
2. Assent of towns, how obtained.
3. Commissioners of towns, how appointed; powers of such commission.

SECTION

4. Towns may issue bonds; bonds, how executed and issued.
5. Assent of majority in towns, how determined.
6. Duties of commissioners.
7. Inability of any commissioner to act, how remedied.
8. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. The towns of Montpelier, East Montpelier, Plainfield, Marshfield and Cabot, in Washington county, the town of Orange in Orange county, the towns of Hardwick, Walden, Danville, Peacham, St. Johnsbury, Waterford

and Kirby, in Caledonia county, and the towns of Concord and Lumenburgh, in Essex county, are hereby authorized and empowered, in the manner hereafter specified, to aid in the construction of the Montpelier & St. Johnsbury and the Essex County Railroads, either by subscribing for, or purchasing the stock or bonds of such roads, or by guaranteeing the payment of interest on such stock or bonds.

SEC. 2. Such subscription, purchase or contract, may be made by any of said towns when the assent in writing thereto of a majority of those paying taxes, both in number and amount of grand list then in force in such town, shall first be obtained by an instrument of assent, signed and acknowledged before any person authorized to take the acknowledgment of deeds in the county in which such town is situated, by each person so assenting; and each assent shall be dated, and shall specify the amount of the grand list of the person assenting. Said instrument of assent shall set forth in substance the contract, subscription or purchase, to be made by such town, and the conditions on which the same is to be made; provided, the assent of no tax-payer shall be binding or of force, or be counted in ascertaining the majority aforesaid, unless such majority shall have been obtained within six months from the date of the first certificate of assent.

SEC. 3. Every such instrument of assent shall name three persons, who shall be resident citizens and tax-payers of the town wherein such assent shall take effect, who shall be commissioners to make and execute in the name of and on behalf of such town, the contract, subscription or purchase therein mentioned. And when said commissioner shall have made and executed said subscription, purchase or contract, in pursuance of the terms of such assent and the provisions of this act, the same shall be binding upon such town.

SEC. 4. Any of said towns is hereby authorized and empowered to make and issue negotiable bonds or notes at a rate of interest not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, specified in semi-annual coupons thereto attached, for the purpose of carrying out the contract, purchase or subscription made by the commissioners of such town, as before provided in this act. Said bonds or notes shall be signed by the selectmen and countersigned by the treasurer of the town issuing the same, and shall be dated and numbered; and a record of said bonds or notes shall be made and kept in the town clerk's office of such town. And the treasurer of such

town is hereby authorized, and it is made his duty, to issue said bonds or notes, or pay over the avails thereof, to the parties entitled thereto by the terms of such contract, purchase or subscription.

SEC. 5. In determining the majority provided for in section two of this act, reference shall be had to the grand list of such town in force at the time the first certificate of assent is made. And where the estate of any person deceased, or under guardianship, or any estate in the hands of trustees, shall be included in said list, the executor, administrator, guardian or trustee representing such estate, is hereby authorized to give the assent hereinbefore provided, in behalf of such estate. In case the property of any corporation is embraced in such list, the majority of the directors of such corporation may give such assent. And where any real estate included in such list, has, since the making of said list, been conveyed, the assent herein provided for shall be given by the person or party to whom such property has been conveyed. In determining the majority provided for in section two of this act, tax-payers non-resident in such town, and the grand list against such non-resident tax-payer, shall be excluded.

SEC. 6. When any instrument of assent herein provided for shall have been signed and acknowledged by the majority in the manner hereinbefore required, the commissioners named in such instrument shall append thereto a certificate, by them subscribed and sworn to, stating that such assent has been signed and acknowledged by such majority as is required by this act, and shall cause such instrument of assent, and such certificate, to be filed and recorded in the town clerk's office of such town, and shall also cause a copy of such instrument and certificate, certified by the town clerk of such town, to be lodged and recorded in the county clerk's office, in the county in which such town is situated; and until said records are made, such commissioners shall not proceed to make any contract, subscription or purchase, on behalf of said town. Before entering upon their duties, said commissioners shall be sworn to a faithful performance of their duties, and a certificate of such oath shall be made upon such instrument of assent, and recorded therewith. Such instruments and certificates so executed and recorded, shall be conclusive evidence of the facts therein stated, and a certified copy thereof from either of the offices where the same are recorded, shall be admissible as evidence.

SEC. 7. If any of the commissioners provided for in this act, shall become from any cause incapable of acting, any signer of the instrument of assent wherein such commissioner is named, may apply to the court of chancery for the appointment of a commissioner in the place of the one thus incapable of acting; and said court, after such notice as it may direct, may make such appointment; and the person so appointed shall be a resident tax-payer in the town for which he is to act, and shall have the same powers and duties as if originally named in said instrument of assent.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

No. 5.—AN ACT CEDING TO THE UNITED STATES EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OVER SITE FOR CUSTOM HOUSE.

SECTION

1. Exclusive jurisdiction given to certain lands, with proviso.
2. Property exempt from taxation as long as used for purposes therein mentioned.

SECTION

3. Jurisdiction of State for serving legal process, not prejudiced.
4. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. The exclusive jurisdiction over so much land in the town of Newport as the United States shall hereafter purchase, not exceeding three acres, is hereby ceded to the United States of America, provided said United States shall purchase such piece of land of the owners thereof, and shall erect thereon a building for a custom house, or for other purposes, and keep therein said custom house.

SEC. 2. All the land over which jurisdiction is hereby ceded, and the buildings and property which may be placed thereon by said United States, shall be exempt from taxation so long as the same shall be used for the purpose hereinbefore mentioned.

SEC. 3. This act shall in no manner take away or interfere with the jurisdiction of this State for the purpose of serving or executing any legal process.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

NO. 6.—AN ACT TO PUNISH BREACHES OF THE
PEACE AND UNLAWFUL COMBINATIONS.

SECTION

1. Misdemeanor, how punished.
2. Further misdemeanors, how punished.

SECTION

3. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. Any person who shall threaten any violence or injury to any other person, with intent to prevent such other person's employment in any mill, manufactory, shop, quarry, mine, or on any railroad, shall be punished by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the common jail not more than three months.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall, by threats, or intimidation, or by force, either alone or in combination with others, affright, drive away, or prevent any other person from accepting, undertaking or prosecuting any employment to labor in any mill, shop, manufactory, mine, quarry, or on any railroad with intent to prevent the prosecution of work in such mill, shop, manufactory, mine, quarry, or on any railroad, shall be punished by imprisonment in the State Prison not more than five years, or by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

NO. 7.—AN ACT IN ADDITION TO AND EXPLANATION OF CERTAIN STATUTES AUTHORIZING TOWNS TO AID IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF RAILROADS WITHIN THIS STATE.

SECTION

1. Towns may vote additional aid, notwithstanding prior action may have been taken in the matter.

SECTION

2. Towns having authorized the borrowing of money, may issue bonds therefor.

3. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. Any town in this State, which has been heretofore authorized to aid any railroad company by loan, gift, subscription for stock, or otherwise, may vote such aid, or so much thereof as shall not have been theretofore voted, at any meeting called for that purpose in the manner prescribed by law for calling special town meetings, notwithstanding such town, at a meeting called in the manner prescribed by the act authorizing them to grant such aid, may have refused to grant aid to such railroad, or have granted a portion of the aid, only, which such town was authorized to grant.

SEC. 2. Any town in this State, which has been heretofore authorized to aid any railroad company, and which shall have authorized, or may hereafter authorize the selectmen, or other officer or agent of such town, to borrow money for that purpose, may authorize the bonds of said town, with interest coupons attached, to be issued for the money so borrowed, or to be borrowed; and any vote by such town heretofore passed, authorizing the issue of such bonds for such purpose, is hereby declared valid and legal.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

NO. 8.—AN ACT TO PREVENT THE DESTRUCTION OF FISH BY THE USE OF POUNDS OR BY THE SETTING OF NETS.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. If any person shall hereafter take, kill or destroy, by the use of pounds, or by the setting of nets of any kind, in any waters of this State, any fish, such person shall forfeit and pay to the treasurer of the town in which, or nearest which, the same shall be so taken, killed or destroyed, in this State, the sum of five dollars for each and every fish so taken, killed, or destroyed, to be recovered on complaint of a town grand juror, with costs of prosecution; and any justice of the peace of the county shall have full jurisdiction to hear, try and determine the same.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

NO. 9.—AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE PRESENT SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. The sum of ten thousand dollars is appropriated, for the purpose of paying the debentures of the Lieutenant Governor, the Senate and House of Representatives, and the contingent expenses of the present special session of the General Assembly.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

No. 10.—AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE AMERICAN HONE AND BOX COMPANY.

SECTION

1. Name; corporators; purpose; powers; rights and privileges.
2. First meeting, how called; by-laws; directors; capital; restriction of indebtedness; lia-

SECTION

- bility of stockholders and directors.
3. Subject to future legislation and the general laws.
4. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. Joseph Potter, Olif Abell, Benjamin B. Hawse, Thomas T. Vaughan, Henry T. Gaylord, Oliver Bascom, Edward Dodd, John Sarle, Adolphus H. Tanner, Alanson Douglass, John S. Burbank, Philander C. Hitchcock, Samuel Thomas, James S. Coon, William McFarland, Sylvester S. Crandall, Jarvis Martin, Warren H. Brown, Russell C. Davis and Sereno Smith, are hereby constituted a corporation and body politic, by the name of the American Hone and Box Company, for the purpose of engaging in and carrying on the business of quarrying, manufacturing and vending hones, hone-powder, whetstones, lumber, turned wooden boxes, spools, and other articles of stone, wood, and other materials, and by that name may sue and be sued, may have a common seal, and the same alter at pleasure, may purchase, hold and convey real and personal estate, and may have and enjoy all the privileges incident to corporations.

SEC. 2. The first meeting of said corporation shall be held at such time and place, in the said town of Wolcott, as the said Potter, Abell and Hawse shall determine upon, and they shall notify each of the corporators of the same in writing, at least six days prior to the time of said meeting, and at such meeting elect five of said corporators directors of said corporation; and at such meeting, and at any other legal meeting, said corporation may make, alter and amend such by-laws, rules and regulations, for the management of its business, as a majority of the members may direct, not repugnant to the laws of this State, or of the United States; may fix the amount of its capital, and divide the same into as many shares, and provide for the transfer thereof, as it

may from time to time deem expedient, and may increase or reduce the same, from time to time, as a majority of the stockholders shall determine; provided that no debts shall at any time be contracted to a greater amount than three-fourths of the capital of said company paid in, and if at any time the indebtedness of said company shall exceed three-fourths of the capital paid in, the stockholders and directors shall be personally holden to the creditors of said corporation for such excess.

SEC. 3. This act shall be subject to the control of any future legislature, to alter, amend or repeal, and shall be subject to the provisions of chapter eighty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of private corporations."

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

NO. 11.—AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BENNINGTON GAS-LIGHT COMPANY.

SECTION

1. Corporators; name; powers; rights privileges; purpose; proviso.
2. Further powers, with proviso.
3. Commissioners; capital stock; subscriptions, how received.
4. Management of corporate affairs, in whom vested; officers, how appointed; annual meeting, when held; elections, how made.
5. Organization, when made.

SECTION

6. Non-election shall not prejudice the rights of the company.
7. Power of directors; by-laws.
8. Stock to be transferable.
9. Misdemeanors, how punished, with proviso.
10. Books of record to be open to the inspection of stockholders.
11. Act deemed to be public.
12. Capital stock may be increased.
13. Subject to future legislation.
14. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. Seth B. Hunt, Henry E. Bradford, Henry W. Putnam, George Benton, Henry G. Root, George Rockwood and Henry W. Booth, and all and every person or persons who may become subscribers according to the mode hereinafter prescribed, and their successors, are hereby created a

body politic and corporate in fact, by the name of the Bennington Gas-Light Company, and by that name they and their successors may have perpetual succession, and shall in law be capable of suing and being sued in any courts and places whatsoever, and may have a common seal and the same alter at pleasure, and by the said name the said corporation shall have power and authority to construct the necessary buildings and apparatus to manufacture gas, to be made of bituminous coal or other materials, to manufacture and sell the same for the purpose of lighting the streets, buildings, manufactories and other places situated in the village of Bennington, and to enter into and execute contracts, agreements and covenants in relation to the objects of this corporation, and of enforcing the same, and be capable of purchasing, taking and holding any estate, real or personal, necessary to give effect to the specified purposes of this corporation, for the accommodation of their business and concerns, or which it may be necessary for the said corporation to acquire and hold for the purpose of securing debts which have become due to them in the regular business of the said corporation; provided that the said real estate shall not exceed what may be necessary for the purposes mentioned, and no private lands shall be taken or appropriated without permission being first obtained in writing from the owner or owners thereof.

SEC. 2. The said corporation shall be empowered to lay down their gas pipes, and to erect gas posts, burners and reflectors in the streets, alleys, lanes, avenues, or public grounds of the said village of Bennington, and to do all the things necessary to light the said village, and the dwellings, stores and other places therein; provided that the public travel of said village shall at no time be unnecessarily affected or impeded by the laying of said pipes, or the erecting the said posts, and the streets, side and cross walks, public grounds, lanes and avenues shall not be injured, but all be left in as good and perfect condition as before the laying of the said pipes, or the erection of the said posts.

SEC. 3. Seth B. Hunt, Henry E. Bradford, Henry W. Putnam, George Benton, Henry G. Roqt, George Rockwood and Henry W. Booth are hereby appointed commissioners for receiving subscriptions for the sum of forty thousand dollars, (\$40,000,) to constitute the capital stock of said corporation, in shares of twenty-five dollars (\$25) each, and

the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall open books for that purpose at such time and at such place or places within this State as they shall designate, by a public advertisement to be previously inserted for at least three weeks in a public newspaper printed in the said village of Bennington, and continue the same open until the said capital stock shall be subscribed, or at their discretion close the same after they shall have remained open two days, and again open the same at some other time or times, place or places, giving public notice thereof as aforesaid, and the sum of five per cent. upon each share so subscribed shall be paid in current funds, by each subscriber at the time of subscription, to the said commissioners, or a majority of them, and each subscriber shall be entitled to receive a certificate for such stock from the said commissioners; and the amount so received by the said commissioners at the time of subscription shall by them, or a majority of them, be paid over to the treasurer of said company, to be appointed as hereinafter directed, and the board of directors, constituted as hereinafter provided, shall have power, and they are hereby authorized, from time to time, under the foregoing regulations, to open the books for the further subscription of stock, until the whole stock subscribed amounts to the sum of forty thousand dollars, (\$40,000), and are also authorized to call upon the said subscribers for the payment of further installments in such sum or sums, at such time or times, and under such forfeiture, as they may deem expedient, until the whole amount of said shares so subscribed shall have been fully paid.

SEC. 4. The management of the concerns of said corporation shall be vested in seven directors, to be selected from the stockholders, and the commissioners named in this act being stockholders, shall be the directors of the company until the first Monday in July, 1867; and the said directors shall choose, by a plurality of votes, a president from among themselves, and also shall elect a secretary and treasurer; and the said directors and president shall hold their offices from the first Monday in July in every year, for one year, and shall be elected on the first Monday in July in each year, at such time and place as a majority of the directors shall appoint; and public notice shall be given of the time and place of holding such election, for ten days, in a newspaper published in the village of Bennington; and any vacancy in the said board of directors may be supplied, by appointments

to be made by the board of directors, until the next election ; and all elections shall be by ballot of the stockholders or their proxies, allowing one vote for each share which they shall have held in his, her, or their name or names, at least ten days before the time of voting.

SEC. 5. The said corporation shall not organize or be empowered to transact business until twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) at least of the capital stock shall have been subscribed for as aforesaid.

SEC. 6. If at any time an election is not held on the day herein appointed, the corporation shall not be dissolved for that cause, but an election shall be held, in such manner as is directed by the by-laws, at any time within one year.

SEC. 7. The directors for the time being shall form a board, and they, or a majority of them, shall be a quorum for transacting business, and have power to make by-laws, rules and regulations, not repugnant to the constitution or laws of the United States, or of this State, or the provisions of this act, for the government of the said corporation, the management and disposition of the property thereof ; and the duty of the officers, clerks and persons employed therein, the election of directors, and all other matters pertaining to their business or concerns ; and may appoint as many officers, clerks and servants, and with such salaries and allowances, as shall to them seem necessary ; and the said board of directors shall have power to make and declare such dividends among the stockholders, from time to time, as the net profits and earnings of the business of the said company shall enable them to do.

SEC. 8. The stock of the corporation shall be transferable, according to the by-laws and regulations of the corporation, and the stock and transfer books be open at all times to the inspection of the stockholders.

SEC. 9. If any person or persons shall willfully do, or cause to be done, any act or acts whatsoever, thereby to injure any conduit, pipe, cock, machine or structure whatsoever, or anything appertaining to the works of the said corporation, or whereby the same may be stopped, obstructed or injured, the person or persons so offending shall be considered guilty of a misdemeanor, and being thereof convicted, shall be punished by fine not exceeding three hundred dollars, or imprisonment at hard labor, not exceeding two years, or both ; provided such criminal prosecution shall not in any

wise impair the right of action for damages by a civil suit, hereby authorized to be brought for any such injury as aforesaid, by and in the name of said corporation, in any court of this State having cognizance of the same.

SEC. 10. The said company shall cause to be kept at their office in Bennington, proper books of accounts in which shall be fairly and truly entered all the transactions of the company, which books shall at all times be open for the inspection of the stockholders.

SEC. 11. This shall be a public act, and shall be judicially referred to by all judges, justices and others, without being specially pleaded.

SEC. 12. The board of directors may in their discretion, increase the capital stock of this corporation to not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 13. The Legislature may at any time alter, amend or repeal this act.

SEC. 14. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

NO. 12.—AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PEOPLE'S GAS-LIGHT COMPANY OF RUTLAND.

SECTION

1. Corporators; name; purposes; powers, rights and privileges, with proviso.
2. Powers of corporation, with proviso.
3. Commissioners; capital stock; subscriptions, how received.
4. Management of company affairs, how vested; first meeting; officers, when chosen; annual meetings; elections, how made.
5. Conditions of organization.

SECTION

6. Non-elections not to prejudice the rights of the corporation.
7. Powers and duties of officers.
8. Stock to be transferable.
9. Misdemeanors, how punished.
10. Books of record open to the inspection of stockholders.
11. Act to be deemed public.
12. Capital may be increased.
13. Subject to future legislation.
14. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. Charles Sheldon, George A. Tuttle, John W. Cramton, Alonzo C. Bates, John B. Page and George A.

Merrill, and all and every person or persons who may become subscribers, according to the mode hereinafter prescribed, and their successors, are hereby created a body politic and corporate in fact, by the name of the People's Gas-Light Company of Rutland; and by that name they and their successors may have perpetual succession, and shall in law be capable of suing and being sued in any courts and places whatsoever, and may have a common seal and the same alter at pleasure, and by the said name the said corporation shall have power and authority to construct the necessary buildings and apparatus to manufacture gas, to be made of bituminous coal or other materials, to manufacture and sell the same, for the purpose of lighting the streets, buildings, manufactories and other places situated in the village of Rutland, and to enter into and execute contracts, agreements and covenants in relation to the objects of this corporation, and of enforcing the same, and be capable of purchasing, taking and holding any estate, real or personal, necessary to give effect to the specified purposes of this corporation, for the accommodation of their business and concerns, or which it may be necessary for the said corporation to acquire and hold for the purpose of securing debts which have become due to them in the regular business of the said corporation; provided, that the said real estate shall not exceed what may be necessary for the purposes mentioned, and no private lands shall be taken or appropriated without permission being first obtained in writing from the owner or owners thereof.

SEC. 2. The said corporation shall be empowered to lay down their gas pipes, and to erect gas posts, burners and reflectors, in the streets, alleys, lanes, avenues, or public grounds of the said village of Rutland, and to do all the things necessary to light the said village, and the dwellings, stores and other places situated therein; provided that the public travel of said village shall at no time be unnecessarily affected or impeded by the laying of said pipes, or the erecting of the said posts, and the streets, side and cross walks, public grounds, lanes and avenues, shall not be injured, but all be left in as good and perfect condition as before the laying of the said pipes or the erection of the said posts.

SEC. 3. Charles Sheldon, George A. Tuttle, John W. Cramton, Alonzo C. Bates, John B. Page and George A. Merrill, are hereby appointed commissioners for receiving

subscriptions for the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), to constitute the capital stock of said corporation, in shares of twenty-five dollars (\$25) each, and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall open books for that purpose at such time and at such place or places within this State, as they shall designate, by a public advertisement to be previously inserted for at least three weeks in a public newspaper printed in the said village of Rutland, and continue the same open until the said capital stock shall be subscribed, or at their discretion close the same after they shall have remained open two days, and again open the same at some other time or times, place or places, giving public notice thereof as aforesaid, and the sum of five per cent. upon each share so subscribed shall be paid in current funds, by each subscriber at the time of subscription, to the said commissioners, or a majority of them, and each subscriber shall be entitled to receive a certificate for such stock from the said commissioners; and the amount so received by the said commissioners at the time of subscription, shall by them or a majority of them, be paid over to the treasurer of said company, to be appointed as hereinafter directed, and the board of directors, constituted as hereinafter provided, shall have power, and they are hereby authorized, from time to time, under the foregoing regulations, to open the books for the further subscription of stock, until the whole stock subscribed amounts to the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), and are also authorized to call upon the said subscribers for the payment of further installments in such sum or sums, at such time or times, and under such forfeiture or forfeitures, as they may deem expedient, until the whole amount of said shares so subscribed shall have been fully paid.

SEC. 4. The management of the concerns of said corporation shall be vested in six directors, to be selected from the stockholders, and the commissioners named in this act, being stockholders, shall be the directors of the company until the first Monday in July, 1867; and the said directors shall choose, by a plurality of votes, a president from among themselves, and also shall elect a secretary and treasurer, who shall be a resident of this State; and the said directors and president shall hold their offices from the first Monday in July in every year, for one year, and shall be elected on the first Monday of July in each year, at such time and place as a majority of the directors shall appoint; and public notice

shall be given of the time and place of holding such election for ten days, in a newspaper published in the village of Rutland; and any vacancy in the said board of directors may be supplied by appointments to be made by the board of directors, until the next election; and all elections shall be by ballot of the stockholders, or their proxies, allowing one vote for each share which they shall have held in his, her, or their name or names, at least ten days before the time of voting.

SEC. 5. The said corporation shall not organize or be empowered to transact business, until twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) at least, of the capital stock shall have been subscribed for as aforesaid.

SEC. 6. If at any time an election is not held on the day herein appointed, the corporation shall not be dissolved for that cause, but an election shall be held, in such manner as is directed by the by-laws, at any time within one year.

SEC. 7. The directors for the time being shall form a board, and they, or a majority of them, shall be a quorum for transacting business, and have a power to make by-laws, rules and regulations, not repugnant to the constitution or laws of the United States, or of this State, or the provisions of this act, for the government of the said corporation, the management and disposition of the property thereof; and the duty of the officers, clerks and persons employed therein, the election of directors, and all other matters pertaining to their business or concerns; and may appoint as many officers, clerks and servants, and with such salaries and allowances as shall to them seem necessary; and the said board of directors shall have power to make and declare such dividends among the stockholders, from time to time, as the net profits and earnings of the business of the said company shall enable them to do.

SEC. 8. The stock of the corporation shall be transferable according to the by-laws and regulations of the corporation, and the stock and transfer books be open at all times to the inspection of the stockholders.

SEC. 9. If any person or persons shall willfully do, or cause to be done, any act or acts whatsoever, thereby to injure any conduit, pipe, cock, machine or structure whatsoever, or anything appertaining to the works of the said corporation, or whereby the same may be stopped, obstructed or injured, the person or persons so offending shall be considered guilty of a misdemeanor, and being thereof con-

victed, shall be punished by fine not exceeding three hundred dollars, or imprisonment at hard labor not exceeding two years, or both; provided such criminal prosecution shall not in any wise impair the right of action for damages by a civil suit, hereby authorized to be brought, for any such injury as aforesaid, by and in the name of said corporation, in any court of this State, having cognizance of the same.

SEC. 10. The said company shall cause to be kept at their office in Rutland, proper books of accounts, in which shall be fairly and truly entered all the transactions of the company, which books shall at all times be open for the inspection of the stockholders.

SEC. 11. This shall be a public act, and shall be judicially referred to by all judges, justices and others, without being specially pleaded.

SEC. 12. The board of directors may in their discretion increase the capital stock of this corporation to not, exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

SEC. 13. The Legislature may, at any time, alter, amend or repeal this act.

SEC. 14. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

**NO. 13.—AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CAIN
AND DRAKE MARBLE COMPANY OF PITTS-
FORD.**

SECTION

1. Corporators; name; purposes; powers, rights and privileges.
2. First meeting, how called; by-laws; capital.

SECTION

3. Restriction of indebtedness; liability of directors.
4. Subject to future legislation and to general laws.
5. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. John Cain and Robert R. Drake, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby constituted a

corporation by the name of the Cain and Drake Marble Company of Pittsford, for the purpose of quarrying any minerals, stone or marble, and of manufacturing, buying and selling marble; and by that name may sue and be sued, have a common seal, and the same alter at pleasure; may hold, purchase and convey real and personal estate in the county of Rutland, in the State of Vermont, to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, and may have and enjoy all the privileges incident to corporations.

SEC. 2. The first meeting of said corporation shall be held at such time and place as the said John Cain shall determine upon, and he shall notify each of the incorporators of the same, in writing, at least six days prior to the time of said meeting; and at such meeting, and all the subsequent legal meetings, said corporation may make, alter and amend such by-laws and regulations for conducting its affairs, and may fix the amount of its capital stock, and divide the same into shares, and provide for the transfer thereof, as a majority may direct, not repugnant to the laws of this State or of the United States.

SEC. 3. This corporation shall contract no debts until the sum of ten thousand dollars is actually paid into the hands of the treasurer of the company, no part of which shall in any manner be withdrawn from the proper business of said corporation; and should the indebtedness of the company at any time exceed three-fourths of the sum actually paid in, the stockholders and directors of said company shall become personally responsible for such excess to the creditors of the corporation.

SEC. 4. This act shall be subject to the control of future Legislatures to alter, amend or repeal, as the public good may require, and also to the provisions of chapter eighty-six of the General Statutes, relating to private corporations.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

No. 14.—AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE RUTLAND GRADED SCHOOL.

SECTION

1. Vote of special meeting hereby confirmed; certain school districts consolidated; name; disposition of property.
2. Officers, how elected; term of

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3. By-laws.
4. Public money, how divided.
5. Organization, how completed.
6. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. The vote passed at a special meeting of the legal voters of the village of Rutland, held on the 20th day of February, A. D. 1867, whereby all the school districts in said village were consolidated into one school district, to be called the Rutland Graded School, is hereby legalized; and school district number eighteen, as originally constituted, and school districts, number nineteen, twenty, and number two, and the union district number one, in Rutland, are hereby constituted a school district of the town of Rutland, by the name of the Rutland Graded School; and the school property of the several forementioned districts, as they existed on the 20th day of February, 1867, aforesaid, of whatever character, shall become the general property of the graded school district, and all debts and liabilities of said districts shall be assumed and paid by the graded school district.

SEC. 2. Instead of the prudential committee required to be elected by law, and in place of the prudential committee already elected, said school district may elect one trustee for each ward in said district, as follows: One trustee for each of wards number one, three and six, for the term of one year each; for each of wards number two and four, for the term of two years each; and for each of wards number five and seven, for the term of three years each; and at all subsequent annual meetings to fill vacancies caused by the expiration of the term of office of each trustee, such vacancies shall be filled by the election of trustees for the term of three years each, and all vacancies caused by resignation, death, removal from

the district, or other disqualifications, shall be filled for the unexpired term of such trustee only. Said trustees shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of a prudential committee. Said district may also elect a president and secretary of said board of trustees, who shall hold office for the term of one year, and until their successors are chosen; and said president and secretary shall act with and constitute a part of said board of trustees. The time of holding the annual elections shall be the same as now fixed by law for all school districts in the State, and the term of office of the trustees elected for the first year, as hereinbefore stipulated, shall expire on that day, or when their successors are elected. All other officers of said district shall be elected as is now prescribed by law.

SEC. 3. Said district may make such by-laws, rules and regulations, as it may deem expedient, not inconsistent with the laws of this State.

SEC. 4. In the distribution of the public moneys, that portion which is divided among the several districts, irrespective of the number of scholars or their attendance at school, shall be so divided as to give said graded district the same amount as it would be entitled to if the number of districts remained as it was before said consolidation.

SEC. 5. Said graded school district, at the adjourned meeting thereof, to be held on the 9th day of April, A. D. 1867, may complete the organization thereof by the election of such officers as are required by the provisions of this act.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

No. 15.—AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

SECTION

1. Corporators; name; powers, rights and privileges.
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7. Subject to future legislation.
8. To take effect.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. J. Gregory Smith, George W. Burleigh, Frederick Smyth, John A. Andrew, Waterman Smith, E. G. Bailey, Natt. Head, A. D. Brown, E. R. Harding, George B. Loring, George F. Shepley, Edward Gustine, D. A. Ward and John E. Bickford, their associates, successors and assigns, be, and they hereby are, made a body politic and corporate by the name of the Northern Telegraph Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, prosecute and defend to final judgment and execution, and hereby are vested with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the liabilities which, by law, are incident to corporations of a similar character.

SEC. 2. That said corporation is hereby authorized to construct, maintain and operate lines of electric telegraph through said State, from its easterly to its westerly boundary, from and to such points as it may from time to time locate and establish, and to connect the same with other telegraphic lines in the states of Massachusetts, New Hampshire, or Canada. Said corporation shall have the right to construct its lines with suitable fixtures thereof, along and upon the line of any railroad, or upon any public highway or bridge within the termini aforesaid; paying therefor to such railroad, or other party aggrieved thereby, such compensation as may be agreed by the parties; or, if they fail to agree, such sum as shall be assessed on the application of either party, by commissioners, appointed by the county court; the same proceedings may be had, as in case of the assessment of damages by commissioners for land taken in laying out highways; provided, that said lines shall be so constructed that the public use of such roads shall not be endangered and incommoded thereby.

SEC. 3. The capital stock of [said] corporation shall not exceed the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of not less than one hundred dollars each.

SEC. 4. Said corporation may purchase, hold and convey such personal or real estate as may be necessary for the prosecution of the business of the corporation.

SEC. 5. Every operator in the employment of said corporation shall, before entering into its employment, take and subscribe an oath before some magistrate, or other person duly empowered to administer oaths, to transmit and deliver

all dispatches, received by him for delivery or transmission, as promptly as the circumstances of the case will admit, and to maintain secrecy in regard to the nature and contents of all such dispatches, and not improperly to publish or divulge the same to the injury of the party or parties, to whom or by whom any such dispatch may be sent; and any operator who shall violate any of the conditions of said oath, shall be punished by the same penalties as are now provided in cases of perjury.

SEC. 6. That George W. Burleigh, Frederick Smyth and Waterman Smith, may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving notice to the other grantees, in writing, at least ten days before said meeting.

SEC. 7. Any future Legislature may, at any time, alter, amend or repeal this act.

SEC. 8. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

NO. 16.—AN ACT TO PAY THE SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, THE CLERK AND ASSISTANT CLERKS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, RESPECTIVELY, THE SUMS THEREIN MENTIONED.

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

SEC. 1. The Auditor of Accounts is hereby directed to draw an order on the Treasurer, in favor of Henry Clark, Secretary of the Senate, for the sum of fifty dollars; also an order in favor of James S. Peck, Assistant Secretary of the Senate, for the sum of twenty-five dollars; also an order in favor of John H. Flagg, Clerk of the House of Representatives, for the sum of fifty dollars; also an order in favor of Albert Clarke, Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives, for the sum of twenty-five dollars; also an order in favor of Eldin J. Hartshorn, Assistant Clerk of the House

of Representatives, for the sum of twenty-five dollars ; also an order in favor of D. Webster Dixon, Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives, for the sum of twenty-five dollars ; said sums being in full compensation for the services rendered by said officers during and in consequence of the present special session of the General Assembly.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved, March 28, 1867.

NO. 17.—JOINT RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE
CONTROL OF RAILROADS IN VERMONT BY
FOREIGN CORPORATIONS.

WHEREAS, The control by foreign corporations of the railroad facilities of this State has become a subject of grave practical importance ; and

WHEREAS, Serious complaints have been brought to the attention of the Legislature against the conduct of such corporations engaged in the management of Vermont roads ; and

WHEREAS, No disposition of these public works ought to be allowed, which impairs the paramount right of the people of the State to the just and reasonable use thereof ; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,
That the Governor be requested to appoint three commissioners, whose duty it shall be to consider this subject, and to inquire into the grievances alleged to have been sustained, with power to send for persons and papers. And to report to the next annual session of the Legislature whether any, and what additional legislation in the premises is necessary. And to prepare any bill on the subject which they may think proper to recommend.

JOHN W. STEWART,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

A. B. GARDNER,

President of the Senate.

STATE OF VERMONT.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Montpelier, March 29, 1867. }

I hereby certify that the foregoing seventeen numbers are true copies of the Acts and Resolves, passed by the General Assembly, at the Special Session, held in pursuance of a Proclamation of the Governor, March, A. D. 1867.

GEORGE NICHOLS,
Secretary of State.

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